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THE SANTA FE TRAIL.

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I.

"*Where on airth hev you been?*"

The old Santa Fe Trail, the scene of so many exploits of daring and suffering, is now an obliterated path. What we are wont to call "The March of Progress" and "The Spread of Civilization," have blurred it past following step by step over the prairies and mountains of the west, but the long track is still blazed here and there by prominent points—bloody massacres and other historic incidents—so that one cannot deviate far if he undertake to follow it.

It would not be wise, however, to set out upon this journey by any of the methods of travel that were in use when the Santa Fe Trail was the scene of a great traffic—with ox team plodding heavily and slowly, by which the pioneer emigrant moved on; nor on foot with pack upon back, as the forty-niners traveled. It would be hard to follow the trail so. The only highway that will take you over nearly the same route is the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad. If it is not convenient to buy a ticket on that line and you have no pass, then get a map of the region west of the Mississippi and put your index finger down at what was once Westport Landing, now Kansas City, Missouri. That is the starting point of our story.

The old trading town of Westport was for a long time the eastern limit of the Santa Fe Trail. It lay high on the bluffs, six or seven miles from the sand bar where St. Louis steamers landed their cargoes. Beyond the town, westward, and over the Kansas line, the United States government had set apart a stretch of country for the use of Santa Fe trains, on which they encamped and corraled their worn out oxen. Here the poor beasts rested, fed upon the rich prairie grass and recuperated strength for the long return journey over the plains to Santa Fe. The drivers of these unwieldly ox teams were mostly Mexicans, speaking no language but their own profane Spanish and looking sullenly out from under their sombreros and their tangled black hair. They and the wagon masters slept and ate in camp and drank at the trading post, while the head buyers went on to St. Louis to lay in a stock of goods adapted to the markets of the mysterious country that was long ago conquered by Spain and then forgotten of men. Sometimes these trains had a long time to wait for the journey to St. Louis, and the return voyage up the mud shifting Missouri was tedious and of uncertain duration.

In the summer of eighteen hundred and fifty-one many corrals dotted the uplands of the prairie on the reserve near Westport, and the herds of cattle belonging to them grazed in the valleys, lay on the sun slopes, and drank from the half dry creeks that wound through the hills toward the Kaw. They had grown sleek and fat, their gaunted sides were filled out and their appealing ribs were buried in flesh, so long had they waited for a cargo.

Even the lazy teamsters were growing restless, and the wagon masters were anxious to start westward while the grass was in good condition. All were listening for the steamer's whistle that could be plainly heard at the post when the wind was from the north, but they did not trust to that for information of the boat's arrival. Couriers were constantly going back and forth to and from the landing on the fleet footed Mexican ponies that accompanied all ox trains on the Santa Fe Trail for the use of outriders, scouts and messengers. "No boat" was the word they brought back day after day, until one hot afternoon when the sunshine quivered over the prairie like the breath of a furnace, and no breeze so much as stirred the long grass in the sloughs. The cattle lay panting on the uplands, and the Mexicans were stretched out in the shade of the wagons.

Suddenly a grateful north wind came swirling among the grass, breaking the siesta of the summer day in an instant, and almost upon its first wave came the sound of the boat's whistle. The camp was alert at once. Ponies were saddled and mounted and went dashing from corral to corral, and then away to the town and the landing.

Wagon Master King was an American, a "states" man, and spoke both English and Spanish. He was of uncertain age, because of his brown, unkempt, frontiersmanlike appearance, and yet rather young than old. He had been one of the most impatient for the boat to come, and now he was among the first to catch a pony and spur it off down the hillside toward the river. Just how he differed from the others of this unimportant party it would be difficult to tell; perhaps most markedly in a slight aloofness, a feeling that had led him to make a bridle path through the woods that lay between Westport town and the landing, and to follow it whenever he had ridden down to the river rather than the wagon road used by the trains. When the boat's whistle was heard he started off in great haste, and as usual turned into the bypath, while a dozen or more men kept on in the road. This path had come to be called in derision the "King's highway," and as the wagon master turned into it the other riders called out to him:

"Come on by the big road this time, you can go faster and will get there sooner if it is longer."

The trainmaster hesitated. But apparently upon second thought he kept on in the "King's highway," and only a volley of oaths in Mexican-Spanish and western English followed him. The bunch of mottled and red and claybank ponies rushed pellmell down the wagon road, their riders clanking heavy spurs, swinging broad brimmed hats, uttering Indian war whoops, throwing themselves from side to side, racing and crowding the swift and sure footed little animals to the landing.

There all was excitement. The Polar Star was already being made fast to the huge cottonwood stumps that hung over the water. She was loaded down so that the water had washed her deck and sides a grimy mud color. Her mixed and indescribable freight was piled high on every side in anything but shipshape. Her passengers were all crowded forward, anxious to get ashore, and their faces were of every color and type. Miners, soldiers, Yankees, traders, gamblers, adventurers, negroes, army officers, emigrants and a few women came over the gang plank in a motley procession. Greetings were exchanged by some with men in the crowd on the bank; others stood aside and looked on, stretching themselves as if just released from a cramped position, and then looking about for the settlement.

Many of the passengers of the Polar Star chose to walk out to Westport; some hired Mexican ponies and mounted them cautiously, having heard of the bucking broncho afar off; others took passage in the "schooner" drawn by six creeping oxen, and all started over the hills to the trading post, except those who were to help unload the cargo and bring up the supplies for Westport.

The Mexican buyers ordered the wagon trains down in haste, the boat's long delay making them impatient to start out. The captain had been ordered to wait for United States troops bound to Fort Leavenworth; then the Polar Star had grounded on a sand bar when she was six days out from St. Louis; her supply of fuel at a certain landing was not ready, and she was obliged to wait while cord wood from three miles inland was hauled to her. One detention after another, together with her heavy cargo, made her trip a slow one, but no serious accident had befallen her and the freight for the overland trains was landed in good condition.

As the straggling procession was about to start up the hill the captain of the Polar Star noticed a woman standing alone and looking in a dazed and frightened way, first at the boat and then at the caravan. He remembered her well, for, to use the phrase of his own thoughts, he had "had his eye on her" throughout the voyage from St. Louis.

She had come aboard late at that city with her passage paid to Westport Landing. There, she had afterward explained, she would be met by a friend. Being a quiet, modest, plain little body, the officers' wives who were aboard the boat took kindly to her and befriended her throughout the trip. They were somewhat curious, to be sure, concerning the "friend" who would meet her; very reasonably, too, since it was an almost unheard of and certainly a venturesome thing for a woman to start up country on a Missouri river steamboat in those early days. But her manner, and perhaps what she did not say more than anything she said, prevented close inquiry. The wife of a captain of artillery, who "ranked" all the others, gave it out as her opinion that one of two things must be the true explanation. Either the lone woman had been deserted by her husband and was not quite sure that he would keep his promise to meet her at Westport Landing, or she expected to join an old lover and be married there.

More than once, when the woman sat on the deck of the Polar Star and gazed across the muddy waters of the river into the young cottonwood groves beyond, a pathetic look crept into her face that warranted the first theory. Again a trustful hope would shine through her gray eyes and convince her new friends of the latter explanation.

The captain's attention had been especially attracted to her by a little scene of which he believed himself to be the only witness. Soon after she came aboard his boat at St. Louis, and while he was watching her with some suspicion and wondering that a woman of her appearance should start upon such a journey alone, he saw her face grow suddenly white. They were both well forward at the time, but the woman was walking toward the stern of the vessel, and it was evident to the captain that she was startled by something she saw there amid the crowd of passengers—deckhands and soldiers all engaged in assorting and arranging the stacks of freight and luggage. This keen observer of strange people turned quickly and looked in the same direction with the woman's eyes, but he could not determine what it was that had caused the blood to leave her face. She made no attempt at concealment and was plainly in no way disguised. Of these things the old captain made mental note and then wisely decided to bide his time.

But as the voyage progressed and the woman gave no sign, the captain was puzzled. He said to himself: "She knows where she is going and what she is about and she intends to keep her own counsel. It's wonderful what a quiet bit of a woman will undertake when she makes up her mind to it. Her courage is like the patient man's anger when at last aroused." And the old captain sighed a long, deep sigh and kept his own counsel.

Although he, too, had been curious concerning her "friend," he was not greatly surprised to see her standing alone after the passengers were all landed from the Polar Star. He approached her just as the officers' wives, who were in the great wagon ready to ascend the hill, espied her, and called to her to join them.

"Nobody met me," she said to the captain as he came up, and, though the words had a lonely sound, he was puzzled anew at the tone, and the expression he fancied he detected for an instant in her face was one of relief rather than disappointment.

"The ladies are going up to see the town," the captain explained; "perhaps you had better go along."

The woman had learned from the officers' wives while aboard the Polar Star that their husbands and a portion of the troops were destined to Fort Leavenworth, fifty miles farther up the river, and that the remainder of the soldiers, under command of a sergeant, would disembark at Westport Landing and accompany the Santa Fe trains westward as far as Fort Dodge. The captain helped the mysterious passenger into the train wagon, where she was immediately plied with questions:

"What can you do?"

"Where will you go?"

"What do you suppose has prevented your friend from meeting you?"

"It seems unpardonable in such a place as this!" and much more was said.

To all of which the little woman simply replied that she did not know.

After dinner had been served at the tavern, and the military officers had taken their wives out to the corrals to see the Mexicans, and the wagon trains, and the prairies, and it was time to return to the landing, the women turned to their companion of the voyage and asked her if she would go with them to the fort, adding that she could probably find employment there in some officer's family or she could return by the boat to St. Louis. To their consternation she answered that she was going on to Santa Fe. One of the wagon masters had his wife with him, and she had already bargained with her for the trip.

There was nothing to do but to say goodby, wish the woman a safe journey and success in her errand. After the departure of her friends the lone traveler immediately took up her abode in camp with the wagon master's wife. There all was activity and bustle, preparations for the journey were going forward on every side, though it would be two or three days, they said, before the packing could be completed and all made ready. Many of the trains were on the way to the landing, others were already down to the levee receiving their loads and the remainder were preparing to start.

All save one. At King's corral the oxen were standing idly about, and the stupid Mexicans were looking along the many little trails that converged toward Westport, and up and down the "King's highway," but no wagon master was in sight for them. In half an hour a well dressed Mexican galloped up to them on a mustang, hurling native oaths at their dogged faces and cruel, black eyes. The "greasers" fell to work and jabbed the unoffending cattle as they yoked them up.

"It is a bad piece of business," said the wagon master's wife to her guest, companion or servant (she could not define the position which the strange woman occupied in her mind and her family). "The man King went off with the others to see the boat come in and nobody hain't seed him sence. Leastways he started down the trail he made himself over the hill yander, an that's the last of him. It's more like a Mexican to act that away, as the men folks say. King seemed like a right decent feller."

The stranger said nothing, but busied herself about the cooking she had volunteered to assist with. Some one was recruited or promoted to the vacant wagon mastership and the packing went on.

The next day when the wagon master's wife arose from her siesta under the wagon, she saw the strange woman coming toward the corral along the "King's highway." When she drew near and sat down in the grass quite out of breath, her hostess said:

"Where on airth hev you been? I missed you the minute I got awake. You hain't been out jest to pick them flowers, hev you? Jest you wait twell we git out on the perarah where there's been no grazin to speak of if you want to see flowers."

The wagon master's wife never knew to a certainty just what became of the flowers that were gathered on the "King's highway," but she took it for granted they were thrown away after she had imparted the information of finer ones to come.

II.

"*Who knows it wasn't that woman?*"

Spread out the map again. Put your finger down at the town of Great Bend, in southern Kansas, on the Arkansas river. Annihilate by a backward step of forty years all signs of the white man's presence that now lie so thick throughout the length and breadth of this fertile valley of the "Nile of Kansas"—the mysterious stream whose mountain fed waters are said to flow more below ground than above.

Picture a vast rolling prairie covered with all the shades of grass that ever grow. Fresh and spring green in the sloughs, lush and long and June green on the river margins, burned brown on the southern slopes and misty and gray on the uplands where the buffalo grass spreads. The river is hidden by it. Higher than a man's head the rank grass waves in every passing breeze or stands motionless in the August sun. To the water's very edge the traveler must go to look upon its slow sliding flood.

Down from the higher lands, north and south, come narrow paths worn by the feet of the mighty buffalo as he journeys with the seasons and halts and stamps at the river brink while he slakes his thirst. His "wallows" dot the uplands here and there—bare, round patches ten or twelve feet across, where his lordship has rolled and turned on every journey till the tough sod is worn through and not a spear of grass sprouts.

At right angles to these deep, slim paths run the Santa Fe Trail; at times near the brink of the river, again cutting across a loop from bend to bend, and then climbing to the highlands to avoid a marsh or deep ravine.

Along its track is strung a long cavalcade, the returning Santa Fe train for the summer of eighteen hundred and fifty-one. Rows of immense covered wagons, four abreast, and drawn by many yoke of oxen, weary plodders with heads downbent and heavy yokes rubbing their galled necks. Pack mules with their tight padded panniers strapped on their sides and their huge ears flapping in time with their trim feet. Bronchos with gay, careless riders, and with none, nipping the tenderest tufts of grass and weed tops that are to their liking. Frontiersmen with furtive eye and ever ready rifle, clad in buckskin and cottonade of indescribable cut. United States infantry in decidedly undress uniform, weary of the march and thirsty for war—Indians, Spaniards, ambush, anything, they said, to break the monotony of sun and heat, the climbing of one "rise" to see another beyond, and the never ending sea of grass. Stragglers from nobody knew whence, going nobody knew where. The nameless hangers on, outcasts and speculators in whatever was easily carried and could be dishonestly won.

Of little children there are none, thank heaven; though two young women live in one of the middle trains—safer there, the captain thinks. The wagon in which they ride is garlanded with flowers. The year is nearing its autumn, and the season of yellows and purples has come. Goldenrod feathers the ground over acres and acres, and stands in solid rows of crinkled gold along the broken lines of the trail. Tall, purplish flower spikes bend stiffly before the south wind, like bayonets in armored hands, and shake a spicy perfume from the sensitive plant at their feet. Here and there a clump of fringed gentian hides behind a screen of compass weed; and the modest cyclamen, the violet of autumn, turns its sweet white face down toward its own heart leaves, blushes a tender pink, fades, twists its stalk into a spiral and bends to earth to deposit its ripened seeds, where they may be cherished by its own substance. All these blossoms and many more, twined with the black and reddish water grasses, hang from the dusty wagon bows. But now the flower beds are almost past, buffalo grass stretches for many miles ahead, and then the desert sand, alkali dust and cactus.

The wagon master's wife told her companion what was before them and bade her cherish her flowers well. She did for their own sakes. But in the folds of her only other gown, between the leaves of a prayer book that had seen better days, were the blossoms she plucked along the "King's highway" on the Missouri hills, and none of these latter ones were ever put with them.

The trains had been out now many days. More than a hundred miles back, at Council Grove, on the Neosho river, they had halted for organization. That point was the final rendezvous for west bound trains. There they elected a commander for the expedition and beyond that point the wagons never fell out of their regular order in the line of march.

Four long, toiling teams moved constantly forward side by side. Then four more came on abreast, and so to the end. This arrangement was for the purpose of better protection against hostile Indians, for whom a constant lookout was kept, and with whom encounters were not unknown by the traders, though treaties had been made by the government with every tribe through whose territory the Santa Fe Trail ran, by the terms of which all trains were to pass along its track unmolested. That the government entertained a doubt of the Indians holding to this compact was evidenced by the fact that the great road, 800 miles long, was made 200 feet wide, so that the caravans might be kept compact and defensible.

The delay at Council Grove had been longer than usual, owing to the difficulty of agreeing upon a captain. It developed that there had been a tacit understanding to elect Wagon Master King to that responsible position, and his sudden and complete disappearance left the company at a loss for a competent head, or at least for one in whom they all had confidence. The place obviously required a man of nerve and quick decision, but above all he must be possessed of well known fighting qualities. King had a reputation as an Indian fighter, and although he was not a favorite personally, it was conceded that he could be trusted and that he would be brave in the face of danger.

"What do you suppose ever took King off, anyhow?" said one of the men, after they had canvassed the subject repeatedly and yet had not agreed upon a captain. His question seemed to be addressed to the camp in general, and after a moment's silence and the usual puzzling of brows whenever the lost wagon master's name was mentioned, a soldier who was lying on the grass raised upon his elbow and said:

"I don't know as you have asked me, but I believe this man you are talking about went away because he saw somebody aboard the Polar Star that he didn't want to meet. Who knows it wasn't that woman?"

The men looked at the speaker in blank astonishment, but no one contradicted him. It was the first probable solution that had been offered, and naturally it was not long in finding lodgment in every man's mind. Then one added:

"He was afeard, and watched, hey? Likely enough!" And another said:

"Smart fellow; but he's no coward."

The repacking done, after the jolting and settling of the freight between Westport and Council Grove, and the cattle winded and refreshed, it became necessary to decide upon a captain and go on. An old Mexican plainsman was chosen—a man who had made many overland journeys, had seen much hazardous service and could speak broken English and a number of Indian languages, besides Spanish. But he had never before commanded an expedition across the plains. Just why, nobody seemed to know, or to be willing to say.

Perhaps because of an undefined fear that in a pinch he would "flunk." It seemed to be his due that he should once have the honor of commanding a train, and though these overland mariners were not men to take great risks for honor's sake, they ventured a little this time and elected old Jose Valdez to the captaincy. With a great show of loyalty the crown of authority was put upon his brow, and many of his followers protested that they had long wished to see the thing done.

Happy old Jose! he started the expedition with a flourish. His glittering black eyes danced, for they had not yet lost their luster, and they could see a moving object on the plains farther away than many that were a score of years younger.

"His pride would make him do his best," they said; "everything would be safe."

And his pride did spur the old captain constantly. It aroused his ambition to make the quickest trip that had been known for years, to have the most comfortable camping grounds, and the best time generally. Occasionally he would bring his mind back to duty with a start because he had discovered himself in Santa Fe, recounting the success of the expedition under his leadership to his stay-at-home comrades, into whose ears he had hoped for ten years to be able to pour this proud tale.

From Council Grove to the great bend of the Arkansas every thing had moved along just to his liking. It was at this point that the trail struck the river whose course they would follow for a hundred and fifty miles. They had rounded the point and were bearing more toward the south. Pawnee rock would be the next camping place. This rock is one of nature's ramparts. A rugged, isolated pile of brown sandstone cropping out of the prairie many miles from the foothills of the Rocky mountains, it is the first startling guideboard to the great range. For many years—at least half a century—it was known as one of the most dangerous points on the plains. Almost within its shadow the Santa Fe Trail crosses the route of the Indian tribes that traveled both north and south after buffalo. Probably for hundreds of years before the Santa Fe Trail was used by white traders and trappers this great north and south trail was followed by the hunters of the prairie tribes.

But a few miles away from the rock the Pawnee river empties into the Arkansas, and the banks of both streams afforded fine camping grounds. The grazing was good in the valleys and the rock afforded protection from foes and shelter from wind and fire. Whoever first gained its summit was almost impregnably fortified against enemies so long as supplies of food and water and arrows or ammunition lasted. Many men whose names are now conspicuous in the history of this country have spent anxious days and nights on Pawnee rock, and but a few years ago many names could be read upon its scarred face. In eighteen hundred and fifty-one hundreds of them, cut in the soft stone by hands that showed all degrees of civilization and semibarbarity, were graven in the base of this old landmark.

The camp site was selected just beyond rifle shot from the rock. The wagons were formed into a corral, and after the cattle had been watered at the river and herded on the banks in the grass during the long twilight, they were driven into the inclosure for the night. Captain Jose cast his searching eyes over the plains many times before night at last shut them out, but his glance always came back satisfied.

"I calkilate you kin turn in and sleep tonight, boys," said one of the American wagon masters, "from the way the old captain looks. Nary a red devil in sight, nor a sign of one."

"Yes," said another, "[illegible] fair miles, but I reckon [illegible] better if we hev a good [illegible] line out. These hyer is mighty dangerous parts, pardner. I've seed the time when I thought nothin' couldn't [illegible] me back hyer agin."

"Well, don't tell us about it to-night," said a third, "we've got soldiers with us and we've had a long pull today; let's have a good night of it and take that yarn another time—it might give us bad dreams, you know, old chap."

Those who had never heard the story of the plainsman's adventure at Pawnee rock were disappointed to have it shut off in this summary manner by one who had listened to it on numerous previous trips, but all were weary from the day's march, and when the pickets were stationed for the first watch every man lay down with a restful sense of security. Nothing but the stars lighted the great plains and the little group of tired sleepers in the corral.

The fires had been put out or covered up before dark, and there was scarcely a sound even to betray the presence of the camp. Occasionally an ox moved a clumsy foot, or a driver in his heavy sleep called out a lusty "Wo haw, Buck," but the sentinels heard little, save the scampering of the night animals in the grass and now and then the far off bark of a coyote.

It must have been two hours after midnight. The "watch" had given place to the "relief" and all was still again. Suddenly one of the ponies whinnied, loud and clear, and two or three of his mates sniffed sharply and rose upon their feet. The noise did not waken many of the sleepers, but Captain Jose was up in an instant and making the rounds of the pickets.

They had heard nothing—seen nothing. The little half tamed broncho had startled them with a sudden sniff of the air and then the piercing call, as if to some of his kind beyond the reach of human senses, but within the knowledge of his—acute by heredity and a life that ranged over long distances undulled by confinement and disuse.

The entire camp was aroused. Silently and with the utmost caution they were told to prepare for defense. With the first ray of light Captain Jose said they might expect an attack from the Indians—either the Pawnees or Cheyennes. All the experienced plainsmen in the command agreed with him. It was not the first time they had been warned of the approach of the enemy by a Mexican pony. To be ready to repulse a swift and deadly onslaught from the stealthy dogs must be their tactics now, they said, and every man was posted rifle in hand and many rounds of ammunition in his belt. These precautions seemed overdone to the men who were making their first trip across the plains and to some of the raw recruits among the soldiers, but a short experience with the frontiersmen had already taught them that words are cheap coin in the estimation of that roving and hardy community and they wisely held their peace.

"Hist! hist!" from Captain Jose, who naturally fell into the dialect of the Mexican under excitement.

All eyes were bent into the grass as they had been directed an hour before. The gray light was sifting into the air but thinly as yet, and strain their vision as they might they could see but a few feet away. Still, as they looked it grew lighter and lighter, and the grass rustled, with a passing breeze, perhaps; or, was it a crouching form creeping on nearer and nearer—a dozen! a score! hundreds!

On every side the grass was alive with Indians, and simultaneously with Captain Jose's command to "fire!" they sprang forward yelling like demons and falling over one another in a frenzy of surprise and rage. The reception was too much for them; they fell back, leaving many dead and wounded within a few feet of the corral, a ghastly and writhing cordon about the barricade.

The Indians had planned a surprise for the camp. They thought to steal up to the corral and charge upon it so suddenly in the uncertain light that they could kill many of the freighters while yet upon the ground asleep. The old Mexican had outwitted them.

The green men under his command set up a shout of victory, but it was quickly checked.

"Save your breath," said a veteran of the trail, "the enemy is repulsed, but not vanquished, begorra! We may be here for days yit, and we may niver git on agin; the saints preserve us!"

Repulsed, but not vanquished; that was the situation comprehended instantly by every man familiar with Indian warfare.

Up through the now fast coming light shot a beacon of fire from the highest point of the great rock, the Indians' telegraph for ages, lighted on that same point for the summoning of friendly tribes before the white man ever crossed the Mississippi from the east or Coronado traversed the plains from the west. Higher and higher it blazed as the savages piled dried grass and brush on its bed. Long tongues of flame leaped up into the air, clouds of smoke rolled away over the prairie, and then it all died out as suddenly as it was kindled. The ashes of the light stuff blew away on the next wind that touched the top of the old rock, and before the rolling ball of smoke had melted into the nearest white floating cloud the beacon fire was out. But it had done its swift errand well.

The Indians down by the river and those on the rock, all now plainly visible from the corral, went calmly about the preparations for the morning meal. There were no squaws with the band and no lodge poles were carried; it was evidently a war party. Breakfast was made ready in the corral too. There was no hunger wherewith to season the food, but every man knew that he must eat to fortify himself for battle—perhaps that he might be able to summon courage to meet death bravely.

"There is the answering signal; yonder to the south," cried some one on the lookout.

Yes, there it was, a faint, unsteady pennon of blue smoke wavering in the wind. The Indians saw it but made no sign—they knew it would come. The stolid meal went on, the wary eyes keeping watch only on the corral so that no white man might creep to the river or the springs for water.

Jose Valdez wore an anxious look. He had said that it would take the Indians at least four hours to come to the aid of the attacking band.

"Till thin," added the Irishman, "ye can slape or ate or make your wills, b'ys, as ye like. Pat Duffy will clane his gun and be ready for the divils, bad cess to thim."

Most of the command followed Pat's example and cleaned their rifles, but they could not joke nor make light of their predicament, it was too serious; that was plainly indicated by the faces of Captain Jose and the other old plainsmen.

(Continued next week.)

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(For the 27th Congressional District.)

C. W. STONE,

Of Warren County.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR STATE SENATOR

We are authorized to announce Samuel W. Smith, of Port Allegany, as a candidate for the State Senate, subject to the decision of the Republican County and District Conventions.

EDITOR MINER:—Please announce in your paper that I am candidate for State Senator from the 25th Senatorial District, subject to the decision of the Republican County and District Conventions.

A. J. DAWSON.

BRADFORD, PA., April [illegible], 1892.

WILLIAM ASTOR, one of the richest men in America and probably in the world and the father of the somewhat notorious Mrs. Drayton died suddenly in Paris on Tuesday of this week. It is thought that to his daughter's conduct may be attributed his death.

"WHERE there was the most discussion there the Republican gains were the greatest," said Senator Aldrich in explaining the great Republican victory in Rhode Island. "Active work in the way of arousing interest and discussion and aiding in the circulation of Republican literature are the prime means to promote Republican success."

WE may some day give the family record of the Harrisburg gutter snipe whose maudlin drivelings, when sober enough to indite them, occasionally find their way into one of the Democratic papers of Bradford. It is not customary for reputable journals to treat such loafers other than with silent contempt. It defiles their columns to even refer to them.

THE New York *Post* declares that "a free coinage declaration in any form or guise would be fatal weakness in the Democratic platform, and would make Mr. Cleveland's candidacy impossible." That's another reason why the Democrats are beginning to look for a Western candidate. It is beyond all probability to suppose they can adopt a platform that will not have a free silver proposition in it in some form or guise. They will need a candidate who can stand on such a platform.

JUST before going to press we received a telegram from S. W. Smith, Esq., the well known lawyer of Port Allegany, requesting us to announce his name for the State Senate, and the announcement appears in its proper place. Mr. Smith is a Republican of many years residence in this county. He is a stalwart of the stalwarts and always found in line for Republican principles and candidates. That he would represent this district with ability if elected Senator is universally conceded.

HISTORY is repeating itself in Congress with wonderful exactness. Secession took its rise sixty years ago in mutterings and complaints that the South was unjustly taxed to pay pensions to the veterans of the Revolution and of 1812. The same thing is to be heard again. Patterson of Tennessee, Bankhead of Alabama, and Kyle of Mississippi are Southern representatives who have made themselves conspicuous at the present session of Congress by loud and angry denunciations of pensions to the Union veterans.

THE Warren *Mirror* intimates very strongly that some corporation sent money into this county to influence the primary elections and convention in favor of Mr. Brown for delegate to the Republican National Convention. There is not one word of truth in that assertion. No corporation on earth sent a dollar into this county in the interest of Mr. Brown. There was a good deal of money floating around this county during that contest but it was to defeat Mr. Brown, not to elect him. We have damning evidence to prove this assertion.

"WHAT the woolen manufacturer of the United States now needs, before all else, is a period of entire rest from tariff agitation aiming at radical departure from the conditions upon which the industry is now organized and to which it has been adjusted." So says the National Association of Woolen Manufacturers in their protest against the free-wool bill. These manufacturers have seen enough to know that they cannot have protection for themselves alone and none for other people. They understand that American industries must stand together and make a common defense against the assaults of the free trade Democracy.

IN the recent primary elections of Tioga County Senator Quay carried the County by nearly [illegible] majority over Congressman Dalzell. The Wellsboro *Agitator* made a bitter fight against Quay and this is what it had to say in its last week's issue: "The Republicans of Tioga County declare by an overwhelming majority that they think Mr. Quay a creditable and useful representative of the party and the State, and that they want him sent back to the senate for the next six years. The will of the voters is the party law, and it therefore becomes the duty of our Representatives to reflect that will by doing all they can next winter to secure Senator Quay's re-election.

THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

Following is the text of the declaration of principles adopted by the Republican Convention at Harrisburg last week. There is not a plank in the platform which will not receive the hearty endorsement of every Republican in the State.

The Republicans of Pennsylvania assembled in convention on the eve of another National campaign send greetings to the Republicans of sister States. To the Republicans of Rhode Island especially we extend hearty congratulations upon the triumph they have just achieved and hail it as the omen of a more decisive victory throughout the country in November. We earnestly invite the calm and dispassionate judgment of the people of our State upon the record of the Republican party since its organization at Pittsburg thirty six years ago. [illegible]

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THE Convention for nominating a candidate for Congress in this Congressional district and electing delegates to the Republican National Convention was held at the Thompson House in Kane on Friday of last week. Hon. C. W. Stone was unanimously re-nominated for Congress, and Messrs. Brown of this County and T. B. Simpson of Venango County were elected delegates to the National Convention. Messrs. Wiley of Cameron and Russell of Warren County were named as alternates. Resolutions strongly endorsing President Harrison's administration and the conduct of our member of Congress, Hon. C. W. Stone, were enthusiastically adopted. A committee of three members from each County was also appointed with Hon. W. M. Lindsey of Warren as chairman for the purpose of fixing the basis of representation in future conventions. This committee will meet in Warren at the call of the chairman.

AN interesting historical fact recently appeared in the Portland *Oregonian* as follows: "Should Benjamin Harrison and Grover Cleveland be the opposing candidates for President this year, as now seems altogether likely, it would be the first instance in fifty two years and the third in the history of the government of a second race for the Presidency between the same competitors. Thomas Jefferson and John Adams were the opposing candidates in 1796 and 1800, and Martin Van Buren and William Henry Harrison in 1836 and 1840. Andrew Jackson and John Quincy Adams were indeed candidates for President both in 1824, but in the former contest there were so many candidates and it was so much of a scrub race that no two could properly be called competitors. And then there was no choice by the people."

SENATOR HILL has gone over bag and baggage to the camp of the free coinage democrats, as shown by his vote on the bill to amend the Arizona funding act. This is the last resort of a demagogue to gain strength in all the South and in the northwest, after having come to the conclusion that he had got all the votes it was possible for him to get in the eastern and Middle States. Gorman, who is playing fast and loose with both Cleveland and Hill, lived up to his reputation as a trickster by sneaking out of the Senate before the vote was taken which would have put him on record upon the silver question. If any evidence had been needed to prove that Gorman expects the fight between Cleveland and Hill to result in the killing off of them both and his own nomination it would have been furnished by his dodging this vote.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

From our own correspondent.

HARRISBURG, April [illegible], 1892.—The records of the conventions of the two political parties of this State have been made up. That of the democratic party has already been fully described, the republican convention of Wednesday last, the [illegible] inst., when we attempt to make any comparisons with its predecessor, the democratic convention, rises to the dignity of grandeur.

The convention of this year was made up of the best representative men of the party in the State and its deliberations were marked with wisdom. There was a complete absence of the rowdyism and ruffianism that made the democratic gathering of two weeks ago the most disgraceful assemblage of politicians in the history of that party.

Our convention was a convention of the people and its predominating feature was a complete absence of the friction and warring that made the democratic gathering so very objectionable. Senator Quay was in Harrisburg during the sitting of the convention but resolutely refused to dictate nominations and only lent his aid to such questions as demanded the consideration of all the leaders. There was perfect harmony in all of its deliberations and but for the introduction of the unasked and unauthorized resolutions of endorsement for Senator Quay which a Beaver delegate attempted to make a part of the party platform there would have been no excitement save that common to all conventions where a friendly rivalry between contesting nominees give life to the proceedings. As to the resolutions of endorsement of Senator Quay the convention did the proper thing when it passed the following unanimously:

Resolved, That the eminent public services of Matthew Stanley Quay entitle him to the thanks and gratitude of the Republicans of Pennsylvania.

Senator Quay needs no other endorsement. During all the preceedings in the several county primaries and county elections already held whenever the question of Senator Quay's endorsement was made an issue, the result in each case was a complete triumph for Senator Quay, and he needed no endorsement at the hands of the recent convention. To have done less than it did would have been ingratitude to our gallant leader whose splendid management of the campaign in 1888 gave to us a republican President and a republican Congress that made it possible for the passage of that grand republican measure the McKinley Tariff bill which has performed such wonders in the development of the resources of the country. But I need not defend Senator Quay at the proper time the State Legislature will do that and do him justice by re-electing him to the U. S. Senate as his own successor.

General Latta of Philadelphia was made temporary Chairman and his speech upon taking the chair was a very happy effort which was punctuated all through with hearty and generous applause. His reference to the democratic convention of two weeks ago was received with deafening applause. It was as follows:

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His entire speech though short was well received. It was his own and not revised and pruned by any one, as was Belltzhoover's of the democratic convention. Hon. [illegible] Martin was made Permanent Chairman and accepted the place in a speech filled with good honest republican sentiments and which the delegates received with generous applause.

When the convention finally got down to the election of the candidates for the several nominations there was a lively but good natured contest over the nomination of a candidate for the Supreme Judge, accompanied by considerable excitement but parliamentary tactics instead of pistols, surgical scalpels and razors, were used and when the contests were decided there were no wounds to heal and no broken pates to mend. The entire work of the convention was concluded with acceptable results to all who took part in its proceedings, and a ticket has been presented to the voters of the republican party of the State that has compelled hearty praise and commendation, even from our democratic friends. The platform of principles of the party, as adopted needs no comment from your correspondent. It is enthusiastically received by every one in the republican ranks and it is a grand declaration of principles, whose comprehensiveness comes out the more prominently when it appears in parallel columns with the free trade declarations made at the democratic convention of two weeks ago.

In the distribution of honors to the 25th Senatorial District, Delegate Hawkins, of McKean county, was assigned to the Committee on Resolutions. Delegates Leonard and Fish of Tioga county, were assigned, respectively, to the Committee on Permanent Organization and as one of the Vice Presidents of the Convention, while B. D. Bell, of Potter county was made one of the District Electors.

In one instance, at least, the decision as to the Judicial nomination at the recent republican convention was a very great disappointment to the Harrity-Pattison democratic combination.

Belltzhoover served his bosses well and, in the democratic gathering rumor says, that the price of his servile obedience to the demands of the bosses was a promise to give him the Judgeship appointment in case Judge Sadler's nomination by the republican convention and his election next November.

This pledge of the administration won't be redeemed so far as the Cumberland county "tool" is concerned. Beltzy served his masters well but he will whistle for his pay for a little while yet.

The democratic Antes are now anxious to see whether the pledge in the case of the Blair county Judge's place, will be redeemed after Judge Dean has been elevated to the State Supreme Court bench?

There is but little news to gather at present; every person seems to be resting for a good spell so as to be prepared for the activities of the campaign when it fairly opens.

The new Auditor General (General) Gregg and State Treasurer John W. Morrison will take hold of their official duties on Monday or Tuesday next. In both of these offices it is said that the soldier will receive substantial recognition in the way of appointment to places which for a long time have been occupied by civilians and the old soldier is rejoicing.

It is said that General Gregg especially is very much in favor of organizing the veterans who so gallantly marched to the polls and voted for the soldier candidates last fall.

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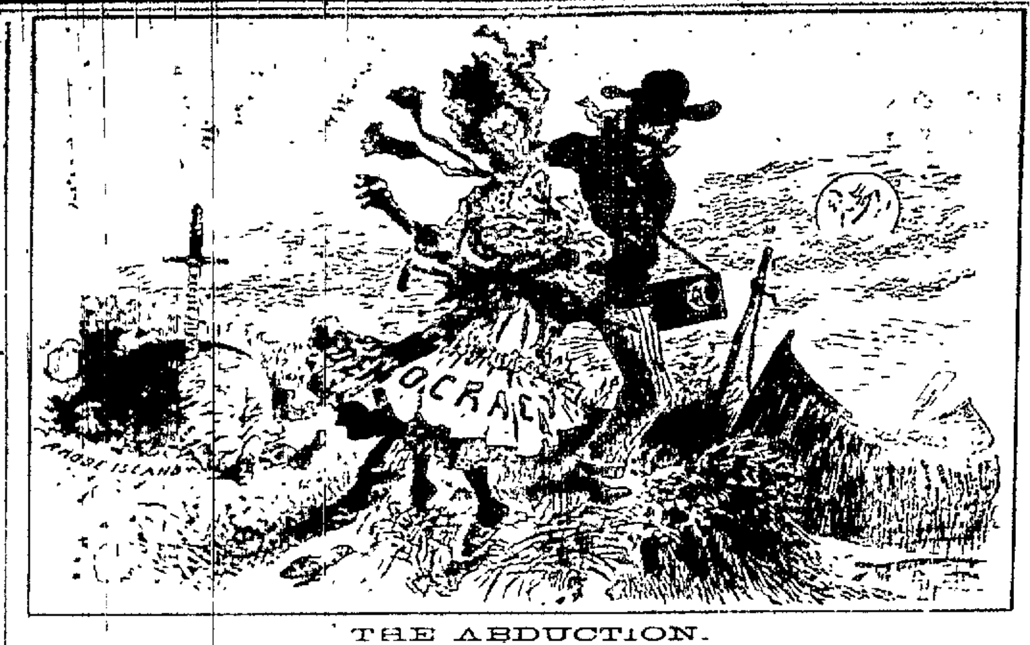

THE ABDUCTION.

LITERARY NOTES.

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A leading railroad man in the Northwest, who is noted for his humor and picturesque way of talking, is fond of calling the Red River farmers the leisure class of the West. He says: "They only attend to their business for a few weeks in the spring and fall, and that they do it sitting down, with splendid horses to drag the farming implements on which they ride around. When their grain is ripe, they hire laborers to cut and harvest it, and then they cash it in for money, fill the banks of the valley with money to the bursting point, and settle down for a long loaf, or go to Europe or New York." Yet they must add a continuance of their strength and prosperity in diversified farming and in hard work, and this is being taught to the rest by the shrewdest ones among them. Such men are making the breeding of fine draught horses a specialty, and very many farmers now maintain from 1500 to 2400 Percheron, Norman and Clydesdale horses as well as pigs, sheep and poultry. The country is too level for the profitable raising of sheep, however. They need uneven lands and a variety of grazing; moreover the soil clogs in their hoofs and subjects them to hoof rot and other diseases prey upon them there.

There are nearly [illegible] acres in the valley and no sixth of it is under the plough. One hundred and fifty million bushels of wheat could be raised there if every acre was sown with seed, but there is no such demand for wheat as that will require to be profitable. Not a less than a quarter of the valley is cultivated and only three quarters of that fraction are given up to wheat, so that last year's yield was about 40 to 45 millions of bushels. That would have brought $27,000,000 had it been sold, but while this is being written, the holdings of 1891 a great many farmers are holding their grain in the firm belief that Russia's needs will determine a raise of 20 cents in the price. [illegible]

[illegible] Romance [illegible] It now presents a selection of stories by [illegible] of any period. [illegible] The contents of this number are upon the usual high level of interest and entertainment. There are seventeen stories, representing writers of this country, Canada, England, Ireland, France and Germany. Among the famous authors on the list are Edgar A. Poe, Alexander Dumas, Charles Reade, William Carleton, Theodor Korner and Guy de Maupassant. Recent issues of this magazine have shown rare ability for comprehending and meeting the wide variety of tastes among story readers. The explanation is found in the announcement that Mrs. Kate Upson Clark lately became its editor. Mrs. Clark has been for several years a favorite contributor to the periodical press and is recognized as a discriminating literary critic. Her editorship is an assurance that "Romance" will more than maintain its high character for both absorbing interest and purity of tone. The magazine is issued by Romance Publishing Company, Clinton Hall, Astor Place, New York. The price is 25 cents a copy; subscriptions, $2.50 a year.

A Solid Knock-down Blow.

The whale blows water when at play,
Trees blow in every wind;
The sweetest flowers blow in May,
But worst [illegible] all the time.

There's lots of blowing in this world. Sufferers from catarrh blow their noses and quacks blow about their cures. Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy is the only infallible one. Its proprietors back up this claim by offering $500 for every case they fail to cure permanently. This is an unanswerable blow at humbuggery, coming from men of sterling reputation and ample capital. Nasal catarrh cannot resist the potency of this remedy. It stops discharges, leaving the senses acute, the head clear, and the breath normal. Of all druggists. 50 cents.

A Choice List of Summer Resorts.

In the lake regions of Wisconsin, Northern Michigan, Minnesota, Iowa and the two Dakotas, there are hundreds of charming localities preeminently fitted for summer homes. Among the following selected list are names familiar to many of our readers as the perfection of Northern summer resorts. Nearly all of the Wisconsin points of interest are within a short distance from Chicago or Milwaukee, and none of them so far away from the "busy marts of civilization" that they cannot be reached in a few hours of travel by frequent trains, over the finest roads in the northwest—the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway and Milwaukee & Northern Railroad.

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Waukesha, Wis.	Spirit Lake, Iowa.
Palmyra, Wis.	Frontenac, Minn.
Tomahawk Lakes, Wis.	Lake Minnetonka, Minn.
Lakeside, Wis.	Ortonville, Minn.
Kilbourn City, Wis. (Dells of the Wisconsin.)	Prior Lake, Minn.
Beaver Dam, Wis.	White Bear Lake, Minn.
Madison, Wis.	Lake Madison, So. Dakota.
Delavan, Wis.	Big Stone Lake, So. Dakota.
Sparta, Wis.	Elkhart Lake, Wis.
Pewaukee, Wis.	Ontonagon, Mich.
Wausaukee, Wis.	Mackinaw, Mich.
Marquette, Mich.	

—For detailed information, apply to any coupon ticket agent, or send stamp for a free illustrated tourist folder, to George H. Heafford, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill.

Coughing Leads to Consumption.

Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once.

Important Notice.

W. H. Peard, of Smethport, Pa., wishes to inform the public that it is false that a man ever came to Earl Monarch stock farm, and asked to see Valentine's French certificate of pedigree and was denied the privilege. I saw that such stories are told to hurt my horses, and all I ask is for the people that are interested in breeding good stock to come to the farm and see for themselves. I am the first man that ever brought any good blooded stallions in this part of the country and when I went away and bought stallions I did not impose upon the people by bringing in those that had curb, spavin, or wind-broken [illegible] and blind and so called percheron stallions, that was not heavy enough for a good trotting horse, and had pedigrees to suit everybody. If a man wanted a percheron he was all percheron and if he wanted a morgan he was part morgan. McKean County is called a back in the woods, but nevertheless it is as well adapted for raising good blooded stock as any of her sister counties in the State and it is time the people in general took an interest in breeding good stock and not horses that are blemished and deformed. [illegible] For pedigrees of Valentine's or Earl Monarch call on or address

W. H. PEARD,

Smethport, Pa.

[illegible] can be procured at the store of W. Williams & Son.

B.H.&Co.

CASH AND ONE PRICE.

BUFFALO, April [illegible], 1892.

Great May Sale.

It was said to us last May on many times, "You have reproduced the interest of holiday time and [illegible]. You enjoyed it." The sale so inaugurated at that time was a marvel to the dealer and retail buyers. Some kindly critics called us fools for selling at such low prices. All right, let him [illegible] that way. We won a year ago and we propose to win again on the same bargain lines.

Commencing next Monday, May [illegible], we shall be in our second ANNUAL MAY SALE. [illegible]

[illegible]

And then [illegible] prices that are only half or two-thirds present real values.

Out-of-town people [illegible] miles away can pay for a trip to this city out of the money saved on purchases here next week. We intend to make this in every respect, the most interesting trade occasion ever known to Buffalo or Western New York.

Those who cannot get to the store can shop by mail. Not one [illegible] whether you shop by mail or send your orders.

Why we sacrifice profits at this time [illegible] matter. There's much business to be had and we intend to get it. Our facilities are large and our ability to buy and selling bring such prices down is a matter of course. What we do is well done. The MAY SALE will be your opportunity to make money by saving at the zenith of dry goods bargains.

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Why, the new picture cards given with LION COFFEE.

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THE NEXT MORNING I FEEL BRIGHT AND NEW AND MY COMPLEXION IS BETTER.

My doctor says it acts gently on the stomach, liver and kidneys, and is a pleasant laxative. This drink is made of herbs, and is prepared for use as easily as tea. It is called

LANE'S MEDICINE.

All druggists sell it at 50c. and $1.00 per package. Buy one to-day. Lane's Family Medicine moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy, this is necessary.

LICENSE APPLICATIONS.

Petitions and applications for license for Hotels, Eating Houses, Wholesale and Retail Liquor Dealers with or without other goods, and Bottlers, at the June Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for McKean county, Pa., to be held at Smethport, May [illegible], 1892.

HOTEL LICENSES.

Bradford City—First Ward.

Morris Herron, Black Bear Hotel, Nos. 8, 10, 12 and 14 Pine street. Residence same.

[illegible], Oil City House, Nos. 104, 106 and 108 south side Main street. Residence same.

Patrick C. Hurley, Bay State Hotel, Nos. 20 and 22 south side Main street. Residence same.

Edwin H. Durkee, Industry Hotel, Nos. [illegible] and [illegible] Davis street. Residence same.

J. D. Hart, Henderson House, northwest corner of Webster and Corydon Streets. Residence same.

P. H. Gallagher and William Devine, Philadelphia House, No. [illegible] south side Main street. Residence same.

[illegible], St. [illegible] Hotel, on Mechanic street, head of Main street. Residence same.

John T. Bockhoffer, [illegible] Hotel, No. [illegible] Main street. Residence same.

H. H. Gouge and H. M. [illegible], Pierce House, Nos. 107 and 109 north side Main street. Residence same.

Fred Heckel, Union House, Nos. 126 and 128 Main street. Residence same.

P. Mulligan, United States Hotel, Nos. [illegible] Mechanic street. Residence same.

T. McNamara, Corry House, Nos. [illegible] and [illegible] Webster street. Residence same.

F. P. [illegible], [illegible] House, corner Main and Davis street. Residence same.

James H. Burns, Washington House, No. [illegible] and [illegible] Webster street. Residence same.

S. N. McBride, Lyndon House, No. [illegible] Main street. Residence same.

Thomas [illegible], [illegible] House, No. [illegible] Mechanic street. Residence same.

Bradford City—Second Ward.

Joseph Barkley, Petrolia House, No. [illegible] Webster street. Residence same.

Bradford City—Third Ward.

Eugene Peak, Aiken House, Nos. [illegible] and [illegible] Washington street. Residence same.

Corydon Township.

[illegible], Willow Creek Hotel, on public road leading from Bradford to Corydon. Residence same.

Eldred Borough.

James McFarlin, St. Elmo Hotel, cor. Main and street leading to depot. Residence same.

Foster Township.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Hamlin Township.

[illegible], Cleveland, Brower House, Mt. Jewett. Residence same.

Kane Borough.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Lafayette Township.

[illegible]

Otto Township.

[illegible]

[illegible]

EATING HOUSE OR RESTAURANT LICENSES.

[illegible]

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL LICENSES, WITH OR WITHOUT OTHER GOODS.

Bradford City—First Ward.

[illegible]

S. R. Collins and F. J. Collins, No. [illegible] Main street. [illegible]

Eldred Borough.

George Traenkle, on Railroad street opposite depot in [illegible] building. Residence Eldred Borough, Pa.

Kane Borough.

J. B. Mumford, [illegible] Fraley street, First ward. Residence Second ward, Kane Borough, Pa.

Carl Egefin and H. N. Jacobson, east side of Fraley street, Second Ward. Residence of Carl Egefin Second ward and residence of H. N. Jacobson First ward, Kane Borough, Pa.

LICENSE TO BOTTLE AND VEND MALT AND BREWED LIQUORS.

Bradford City—Fourth Ward.

Patrick H. Davitt, No. 33 Mechanic street, known as the Independent Bottling Works building. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

S. B. Woodbury, No. 37 Mechanic street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

Eldred Borough.

F. Nason and Emil Doerr, west side Railroad street. Residence Eldred Borough, Pa.

All licenses must be lifted within fifteen days after the same are granted or they will be void.

J. M. McELROY, Clerk.

HUGH P. BRAWLEY, Deputy.

Smethport, Pa., April 20, 1892.

Estate of M. A. Sprague, Deceased.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION ON THE estate of M. A. Sprague, late of the borough of Smethport, McKean County, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to Emma J. Sprague residing in said borough, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same, duly authenticated, without delay.

EMMA J. SPRAGUE,

Administratrix.

Administratrix Notice.

Letters testamentary under the last will of Henry Chevalier, late of Ceres township, McKean county, PA., having been granted to the undersigned all persons having claims against said estate will present the same for settlement and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment to

MARION CHEVALIER, Administratrix,

[illegible], McKean Co., Pa., March 14, 1892.

FOR SALE.

The Conley 50 acre farm in Smethport school district. Also the Chas. McElwee farm of 80 acres or more adjoining the Poor House property. Improved good orchards and both farms finely watered from durable springs. Terms easy: $250 down on Conley lot and $500 down on McElwee farm, balance to suit purchaser.

W. R. BROWNELL.

Smethport, March 16th, 1892.

Matrimonial.

A man of 23 desires the acquaintance of a lady between the age of 19 and 23. She must be tall, good looking, weight about 125, must be between blonde and brunette, respectable, would prefer one who takes no stock in religious matters and above all things one who can hold her tongue. For further information address

M. L. SAXTON,

Bradford, Pa.

Too large—the old-fashioned pill. Too reckless in its way of doing business, too. It cleans you out, but it uses you up, and your outraged system rises up against it. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets have a better way. They do just what is needed—no more. Nothing can be more thorough—nothing is as mild and gentle. They're the smallest, cheapest, the easiest to take. One tiny, sugar-coated granule's a gentle laxative—three to four are cathartic. Sick Headache, Constipation, Indigestion, Bilious Attacks, and all derangements of the Liver, Stomach and Bowels are promptly relieved and permanently cured.

BAYER HOUSE,

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New House. New Furniture. Everything about the premises neat and clean. Table supplied with the best in the market. Patronage of the public solicited.

A. J. [illegible], Proprietor.

May [illegible]

Central Pharmacy.

FRANK R. FOSTER,

DEALER IN

DRUGS AND MEDICNES,

Fancy Goods,

TOILET ARTICLES, &C

A FULL LINE OF

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded.

FRANK R. FOSTER,

PHARMACIST.

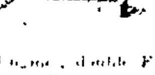
Grand Central Hotel Building, Smethport

Engines, Boilers & Steam Pumps

Wood and Iron Working Machinery, Shafting, Hangers, Wood Pulleys, [illegible], Tractors, Hoisting Engines, double Engines for Coal Hoisting. Write for catalogue.

SHERIFF MACHINERY CO.,

50 Water St., Pittsburgh, Pa.



A Piano SENT on trial

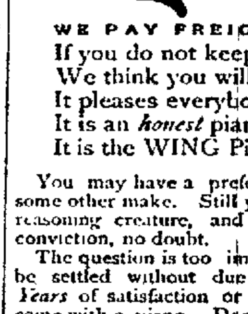
WE PAY FREIGHT

If you do not keep it.
We think you will keep it.
It pleases everybody.
It is an *honest* piano.
It is the WING Piano.

You may have a preference for some other make. Still you are a reasoning creature, and open to conviction, no doubt.

The question is too important to be settled without due thought. *Years* of satisfaction or of regret come with a piano. Does it *wear* well? The WING Piano does. "Look before you leap."

Whatever piano you buy, there are piano secrets you ought to know. Our *free* book tells them. Send a postal card for it. It may help you to buy a different piano. We take that risk. We also tell you the nearest dealer where you can *see* a WING Piano. It is worth *looking at*. So is the price. WING & SON, 245 Broadway, New York.



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E. C. ALLEN, Box 420, Augusta, Maine.

ROOFING

GUM ELASTIC ROOFING FELT costs only $2.00 per 100 square feet. Makes a good roof for years, and any one can put it on. Send stamp for samples and full particulars.

GUM ELASTIC ROOFING CO.,

39 and 41 West Broadway, NEW YORK.

LOCAL AGENTS

AGENTS WANTED [illegible]

COME TO STAY!

M. SPIEGEL,

"THE LIVE CLOTHIER,"

Has come to Smethport to stay and proposes to do business on strictly business principles. I ask the public to come and examine my stock of SPRING AND SUMMER

-:- CLOTHING, -:-

Gents' Furnishing Goods, Hats and Caps, Trunks and Valises.

No Old, and Shelf-Worn Goods,

but everything fresh and new, and of the latest styles. Come and get my wonderfully low prices, which were never before heard of in McKean county.

M. SPIEGEL,

"THE LIVE CLOTHIER,"

Reilly Building, Smethport, Pa

LOOK -:- HERE.

Read and Be Wise!

On and after April 15, 1892, the undersigned will give every cash customer trading at his store to the amount of $25 00, their choice of one of the following beautiful articles of Silverware free of charge

Silver Plated Sugar Bowl,	Silver Plated Pickle Dish,
Silver Plated Butter Dish,	Set Silver Plated Knives,
Silver Plated Cream Pitcher,	Set Silver Plated Forks.
Silver Plated Spoon Holder.	

And an article for each additional $25 00 for a period of from six months to one year, thus giving each one of my customers a chance to secure a whole set of Silverware without costing them a penny. All goods are sold as cheap as the market will allow. Remember the place, corner of Mechanic and Mill streets.

P. D. HOPKINS,

Smethport, Pa., April 14, 1892.

CORTLAND WAGON COMPANY.

We have the exclusive sale of the above Co's work. These goods are built on honor by a company with over a score of years' experience, and who to-day have a reputation for fine styles, good material and workmanship and is unequaled by any Carriage concern in the world. They manufacture 100 different styles of surreys, phaetons, road, platform and delivery wagons, top buggies, buckboards and carts. We also have the exclusive sale of the celebrated Champion Wagons. Catalogue and price list mailed on application.

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THE GREAT SUPPLY HOUSE,

OF BRADFORD.

HARNESS.

Harness made for the uses you have and sold just as low as good Harness for those uses can be sold for. A good Single Harness may cost you as low as $9

KINDS.

Extra heavy team harness with genuine Irish collars.

PRICES.

But we have so many kinds, so many styles and prices, you will need to look our stock over to suit you.

PARTS.

We have everything that belongs to a harness and about everything else you need for a horse.

HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES.

All kitchen utensils, from the best kind of an egg beater to the best kind of a stove. Tinware, tableware, cutlery, household conveniences—hundreds of them

REFRIGERATORS.

Refrigerators and Ice Chests, made by Vogt, and filled with mineral wool. Prices on application.

HARDWARE.

Everything that builders need in hardware or building papers

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All that carpenters need in tools.

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The famous Rubber Paint and every other paint.

About everything you need in any line you will find in our stores. And such a store gives you a wide range of choice. We ask you to write us about what you want.

L. EMERY JR. & CO.,

43, 45 Main Street,

Bradford, Pa.

EMERY & WEAVER.

McKean County Miner

Smethport, Pa., April 29, 1892.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Trees are beginning to shoot.

—The lilac will soon be "in it."

—The styles for this season favor tall, slender women.

—The next argument court will convene on May 17.

—The roads out around town are said to be in fair condition.

Bloodsworth and Co.'s ad changes this week. Don't fail to read it.

There are 853 post offices in Pennsylvania presided over by women.

Saturday was a lively day in Smethport especially for our chief of police.

Two arrests last Saturday, one as a public nuisance the other breach of the peace.

Two hundred and thirty-one guests registered at the Grand Central Hotel last week.

The Smethport Extract works are shut down to make extensive and necessary repairs.

The New York State Editorial Association will meet in Buffalo the second week in July.

Persons contemplating buying pianos or organs should read the advertisement of Mrs. Carter in this issue.

See C. K. Sartwell's roofing ad in another column. Now is the time to get a durable roofing cheap.

This is the way an exchange puts it: "Now tickle the earth with a hoe, plant lettuce seed, and nature will do the rest."

The latest discovery in dentistry is that new teeth may be grafted on old roots and be made to grow as firmly as the natural teeth.

In answer to our query "Will Smethport have a base ball team this season," we have several responses that she will—and a good one too.

The barn of L. A. Grout at Mt. Jewett was destroyed by fire on Tuesday evening, including considerable other property. Loss about $400.

At the Baptist church next Sunday morning the subject will be "The Price of a Mess of Pottage." In the evening "Can These Dry Bones Live?"

The president of one of the leading life insurance companies says the grip epidemic cost his company $400,000 in the months of January and February.

—We have just received a large invoice of papers, envelopes, cards, etc., and are prepared to do anything in the line of job work equal to the best city offices.

The United States is the richest country on the face of the globe today and, outside of its cities, it has the poorest roadways of any of the civilized nations.

The movement for better country roads is taking definite shape and it is more than probable that some important legislation in that line will be had next winter.

One of the most beautiful exhibitions of the aurora borealis ever seen in this locality was observed by many people in the northern horizon last Monday evening at about 11 o'clock.

The Cattaraugus *Union* says: "A Georgia girl, said to be worth a round half million, has just married a penniless country newspaper editor," and adds, "we come high but they've got to have us."

Charley Burnham's "Fall Brook" advertisement will be found in the lower left hand corner of the fourth page of this paper. Any one desiring to make a pile of money in a short time better read that ad.

After having withstood the storms of sixty years the old house on the east side of Main street, near S. King's, has had to give way to the march of improvement and is being razed to the ground. Another old landmark gone.

We would advise all persons coming to this vicinity for the purpose of capturing brook trout, observe that we refrain from calling them speckled beauties, to call upon that portion of the Taylor family designated by the initials, E. N.

The *Enterprise* says: "A stock company is being organized in Coudersport for the purchase of 10,000 acres of Goodyear lands lying south of Coudersport. This is a good investment for any one, as the land will make the best of farms."

—The young ladies of Smethport will give a leap year party at the opera house this (Thursday) evening, the music for which will be furnished by Prof. Mills' orchestra. A good time is in store for those who are so fortunate as to be present.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Hotton Bros. of Portville, N. Y. in another column. The Messrs. Hotton are making a superior article of roller process flour which is gaining an enviable reputation in this section of the country.

—The supreme court of Pennsylvania has ruled that a bicycle is a vehicle and has all the rights on the highway that a wagon has, and that a teamster must accord a wheelman the same privileges of the road that he is bound to extend to another.

—John Linn met with an accident on Tuesday which will lay him up for some time. While at work at Kahn's camp, a rolling log struck him on the leg with considerable force, throwing it out of joint. He was brought to town where he received proper care.

—If you wish to enjoy a really pleasant evening, attend the phantom party to be given by the members of the S. A. T., at the residence of N. H. Knapp, corner of Main and Mechanic streets this (Friday) evening. The Union will serve a fine lunch. All are invited.

—Dr. S. D. Freeman, ever ready to improve and beautify the town has taken the initiatory steps of what will in time lead to a beautiful park, by setting out a number of young maple trees on his lot on King street, opposite his sanitarium. This is a really commendable move.

—The simplest remedy known for nervous headache is a pinch of salt taken on the tongue and allowed dissolve slowly, followed in about ten minutes with a drink of water. Salt, in its pure state, has virtues not to be scorned because it is an article within the humblest means.

—Attention is called to the new advertisement of Stickney, Ritchie & Co. in this issue. Never has this popular house been better prepared to cater to the public than at present. The store is literally packed with goods in their various lines, among which are all the latest novelties.

—License court convenes on Monday, May 9th. There are 53 applications for license, a falling off of eleven from last year. Of the 53 applications 25 are from Bradford, 6 from Kane, 4 from Eldred, 4 from Smethport, 3 from Port Allegheny, and the balance scattered about the county.

—In its "It is Said" column, the Clearfield *Republican* says: Clearfield has a young lady so proficient in piano playing that upon imitating a storm the other night a number of people caught cold from the dampness that prevailed, and some actually got out their umbrellas and gum coats. Next.

—Samuel Walker, while at work on the roof of the leach house at the Extract works, the beam on which he was standing gave way precipitating him to the floor below, a distance of about 16 feet. He received a severe cut on the forehead, near the temple, but aside from that escaped uninjured, but it was a close call.

It is said that a society lady of a neighboring town slightly absent minded in her hurry to start for church, took from a closet a pair of her husband's trousers for her dolman, threw them over her arm, and did not discover her mistake until she had thrown them over the back of the pew in front of her.—*Hollidaysburg Journal.*

Chris Von der Ahe is the manager of the St. Louis Browns of the National League of base ball clubs. In the opening game at Pittsburgh the home team wiped up the ground with the Browns, making no less than twelve runs in the first inning. This so elated the kids on the bleachers that with one accord they burst out with the chorus "Ta-ra-ra Von der Ahe."

It looks now as if Smethport was to experience another building boom this season. It is definitely settled that M. N. Allen will build a fine residence on lower Main street, Mrs. Kittie Gallup is getting the material on the grounds for a house on Green street corner of Mechanic, and Hon. H. Hamlin will build an elegant residence on the corner of Main and Marvin street, on the site of the old Easterbrook house.

—The precincts of the MINER office were invaded one night last week and when the employes arrived the next morning the office looked as if it had been struck by a cyclone. Books, papers, letters were strewn about the floor to which were added a generous supply of old quids of tobacco, stumps of cigars, etc. Who the parties were we haven't the least idea, but it would be healthy for them if we find out.

We notice by our exchanges in various parts of the State that the Democratic committees are holding schools of instruction in the new ballot law. In Warren this week such a school will be held. Booths have been erected, tickets prepared, officers appointed and it is proposed to not only instruct the voters, but the inspectors as well. This is a wise movement and should be followed by the Republicans in every district in the State.

Anybody, says an exchange, can freeze their own ice cream in five minutes and for an expenditure of two or three cents. If the preparation to be frozen is placed in a tin bucket or other receptacle it can be readily congealed by putting it in a pail containing a weak dilution of sulphuric acid and water. Into this throw a handful of common glauber's salt and the resulting cold is so great that ice cream or ices will be frozen solid in a few minutes.

A police officer should not be expected to perform his duties without the necessary paraphernalia. Mr. Kiefe has said nothing to us, but we happen to know that he is in need of [illegible] and [illegible]. A number of badges should also be procured so that in case of the appointment of special police they may wear the insignia of office. Mr. Kiefe is making a very efficient officer and should be encouraged by being supplied with every requisite for the performance of their duties.

Although smiles cost nothing they are the real sunshine of life. The clouds of gloom that [illegible] a sad heart may be dispelled by a kind word and a tender smile. Therefore be lavish with both, for these are things which may be given without cost. On the contrary they enrich the giver as well as the receiver. Girls should not take this as encouragement for them to bestow more smiles on strange young men than they do at present for they are too liberal in that respect already.—*Elk Democrat.*

One of the most important cases tried in court last week was that of Seaman vs. Holmes. It was for the title of a thousand acres of land in Corydon township. Before the case was sent to the jury it was settled by the plaintiff taking a verdict for $10,000. The queer feature about the case is that both parties think they got the upper hand. The plaintiff seemed very much pleased at receiving so much for the land in dispute while defendant Holmes avers that he tendered Seamen $11,000 for the title two years ago.

The Scientific American says: "Some people are born freckled and others have freckles thrust upon them. The former class might as well accept their freckles as a dispensation of providence for nothing can be done for them. The latter can always get rid of their affliction by using a couple of drachms of sal ammoniac with an ounce of German cologne, the solution mixed with a pint of distilled water. Applied two or three times a day," states one of our contemporaries, "it will cure the worst case of freckles on record."

A law not generally known, and one that should be of interest to farmers in this State, was enacted and approved by ex-Governor Hoyt, in 1879. The law is to the effect that any person liable to road tax, who shall transplant at the side of the public highway on his own premises, any fruit, shade or forest trees, shall be allowed by the supervisor of roads, an abatement of his road tax one dollar for every four trees set. As the season for transplanting trees is near at hand it might be well to hunt this law up and derive some benefit from it.

—A unique exhibit from Pennsylvania to the World's Fair at Chicago, will be a map of the United States, 18x24 feet made entirely of pickles, vegetables, fruit, etc., preserved by the company which makes the exhibit. The State lines will be accurately shown, and the lakes and rivers will be represented by vinegar. The larger cities will be indicated by spices. The whole will be covered with a piece of plate glass, which is being specially made for the purpose. The expense of this interesting exhibit of the pickling and preserving industry will be $15,000.

—Friday morning L. J. Gallup discovered what he supposed to be a dog among his sheep, a considerable distance from his barn. With rifle in hand he approached within twenty-five rods of the intruder and fired. The shot proved to be a center one, and the game proved to be a large wolf of the grey species. It is the first that has been seen in this section in eighteen or twenty years. It is said that there is a bounty of twenty-five dollars on a grey wolf. Thirty years ago Mr. Gallup captured a bear after a desperate struggle, on the same grounds.—*Port Allegany Reporter.*

—To carry out the provisions of the new ballot law will entail considerable expense on the different counties of the commonwealth. The Clearfield county commissioners have contracted for the necessary booths and annexes and find the ninety-two election booths required will cost $4.75 each, and the 140 annexes $2.50 each. One of the county papers estimates the total cost to the county will be $30,000. Of course, this expense must be incurred but once, as the booths and annexes can be stored away from year to year at a small expense. Still, the new election machinery will be a very considerable item of expense everywhere.

—The entertainment given by the pupils of the Smethport graded school and academy at the opera house on Saturday evening last drew out an immense audience. The programme included "The Enchanted Woods," in which the children of the primary and intermediate department appeared and the tableau, "The Lady of Shalott," the characters of which were assumed by the pupils of the higher grades. The children showed careful training and it is needless to say acquitted themselves creditably. The proceeds will go towards the purchase of a piano for the school, and we are pleased to say a goodly sum was realized.

Eldred is just now experiencing a great real estate boom, principally through the energy and enterprise of Mr. C. F. Burnham of the Keystone Real Estate Agency. In addition to the other valuable lots, Mr. Burnham, will in a few days place upon the market the Van Tassel property comprising 400 choice building lots inside the borough limits and within two squares of the post office, bank and street railroad. These lots which are among the most desirable in the borough will be sold from $100 to $350. That they will find a quick sale goes without the saying and we advise all who wish to invest money where it will make the best returns to write Mr. Burnham at once.

On Saturday afternoon a number of outsiders came to town and after filling up with poor whiskey proceeded to paint the town a beautiful carmine. After indulging in several altercations up town they proceeded to the Wright House and without any warning proceeded, one of the number, in his own expression, undertook to "put it onto" Hal Reilly. But he returned without his boot, and the fight became general in which bottles, glasses, chairs and spittoons were freely used. It was of short duration however, as our ever alert Chief of Police was soon on the scene and at once collared the instigator, a man named Lawson and landed him in jail which at once quelled the disturbance.

We fully concur in the following from the Buffalo *Sunday Truth*: "The Fillard management of the Buffalo Exposition, to be held at the Driving Park next August, has made a good choice in selecting E. J. Hughes to look after the advertising department of the venture. Although he has long been well known here he has only recently become a Buffalonian. He came here from the lumber woods of the Northern Tier of Pennsylvania where he published a weekly paper and for years expounded Democratic principles. Bro. Hughes has a keen business edge on him. When he came to Buffalo he declared that he had abandoned newspaper work for ever and intended to make his fortune as a real estate dealer. But the printer's ink spell has lingered over him and now he is 'in it' once more. Success to him."

The following from the [illegible] *Press* of last week will interest many of the readers of the MINER who enjoyed a personal acquaintance with the deceased: "Mrs. L. T. Moore wife of Judge Moore, died at the family residence in [illegible] Tuesday, April 12th, of paralysis, aged [illegible] years. Deceased came here a bride about forty years ago and has been a resident [illegible] and during those many years her [illegible] from affliction and care in time of sickness and distress has made her dearly beloved by all who knew her. She was a christian lady in the true sense of the word and her good works and example will long survive her. Her loss to the family is irreparable and they have the warmest sympathy of all the community. The funeral was largely attended last Friday, the services being conducted in Emanuel church and the remains interred in the Elk Valley cemetery."

—Under the head of "Valuable Cows," the *Reporter* says: "The published statement of assessors of Port Allegany shows that seventy-five cows are owned within the borough limits at an assessed value of seven hundred ninety five dollars or ten dollars and sixty cents per head. In Smethport cows are only valued at nine twenty per head, which shows our superior grade of stock." We are afraid Brother Laymon, that facts would bear out your statements. In the first place there are in Smethport 93 cows, the assessed valuation of which is $950 or $10.20 per head instead of $9.20 the difference in the valuation of the two towns probably being in the judgment of the assessors. But if Port Allegany has a superior grade of stock why not trot them out. Smethport certainly made a better showing last fall, as she will again next, at the county fair. But the "proof of the pudding is in the eating" and if the *Reporter* wishes to compare stock, either as to pedigree or milk and butter making qualities, we are ready to accommodate him.

—During court last week when lodging places were at a premium, Tracy Elder of Bradford, who had business at the temple of justice, applied at the Wright House for accommodations, but was informed that the house was full. The ever-obliging host, however, informed the gentleman that he would get him a place to sleep, and afterwards informed him that he had secured lodging for him at S. M. Riffle's. Mr. Elder attended the fair of the W. R. C. at the opera house, and after participating in the dizzy maze of the dance, himself became bewildered and when the time came to retire the name of the place where he had to sleep had slipped his memory, and with a faint idea of fire arms running in his mind, began making inquiries for Gunn's place, but with little success. After wandering about for some time he chanced to pass Mr. Riffle's restaurant and happening to glance up his eye caught the name, and with a smile lit up his countenance, he exclaimed, "Riffle, that's the place, I knew it was some darned thing that shot."

Horses For Sale.

One pair matched workers, 2400 pounds good age and color.

One 5 year-old work horse, 1220 lbs.

Several fine young horses—drivers and general purpose stock, for sale at reasonable prices.

PALMER & CHURCH.

Smethport, Pa., April 25.

Attention Farmers.

A car load of choice timothy and clover seed just received at
W. D. GALLUP'S.

PERSONAL MENTION.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

C. C. Wainman was up from Eldred, Tuesday.

F. Perry Carter was upon our streets Tuesday.

Mrs. Kate Kibler visited at Larrabee this week.

C. A. Backer made Bradford a visit last week.

Will Burlingame is now serving as turnkey at the jail.

Attorney J. M. McClure, of Bradford, was in town Tuesday.

Frank Bellows, of Port Allegany, was about town last Saturday.

J. B. Warings, of Erie, was a guest at the Grand Central Tuesday.

Miss Josie Baker and Miss Marie Dunn drove to Kasson last Sunday.

A. E. Barden, of Eldred, had business at the county seat on Monday.

Attorney S. W. Smith, of Port Allegany, was about town Tuesday.

W. W. and A. W. Lewis, of Emporium, were in Smethport Monday.

C. F. Bush of Oil City was among the callers at the MINER office this week.

Will Ostrander and mother and Myrtle Gifford drove to Colegrove last Sunday.

A. J. Bond of Bradford, was shaking hands with Smethport friends on Tuesday.

Ray Young returned home from college at Hartford Saturday for a short vacation.

W. I. Lewis, one of Coudersport's leading lawyers, was at McKean's county seat on Monday.

Mrs. Hattie Colegrove and Mrs. Lelie Heineman, of Colegrove were calling on friends in town Tuesday.

Ex-Sheriff A. F. Lane of Bradford was in town Tuesday and made the MINER office a pleasant call.

Peter Coady and wife were made happy last Saturday by the arrival at their residence of a nice little girl baby.

Rev. J. L. Mochmer, of Custer City occupied the pulpit at the M. E. church last Sunday morning and evening.

Misses Mattie Backus and Edna Hamlin, who have been visiting friends at Port Allegany returned home Wednesday.

Mrs. J. C. Hamlin, who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. Chas. Bosworth of Brooklyn, is expected home to-day.

Arson Dunbar will remove his family to Palmer's Mill up Marvin creek where he has accepted a position, next week.

Ex-Treasurer Brennan drove over from Smethport Tuesday with his span of elegant black horses.—*Mt. Jewett Herald.*

Miss Madge Lill left Thursday morning for Roulette to attend the wedding of Miss Rose Tyman and Fred Woodard both of that place.

Attorney Sheridan Gorton will attend the session of the U. S. District Court at Pittsburgh, next week, having been summoned as a grand juror.

Isadore Levy, the affable young clerk in the store of M. Spiegel returned from an extended visit with friends in Elmira, N. Y. last Thursday evening.

Editor L. S. Rogers, of the *Auger*, D. S. Pelton, Miss Kittie Cummings, Miss Lotta Sage and Miss Leonora Hubbell drove over from Duke Centre, Sunday afternoon last.

Dennis Quinlan was stepping high, wide and pretty last Saturday and all because of the arrival of a bouncing baby boy at his home the day before. Mother and son are both doing well.

The many friends of Rev. F. E. Helms will be pleased to learn that he has so far recovered from his recent illness, that it is expected he will start for his home in this place on Thursday next, and will occupy his pulpit the following Sunday.

There has been a decided improvement in the condition of Hon. S. A. Backus within the last 24 hours. For several days he has been entirely unconscious, but yesterday (Wednesday) evening he regained consciousness, and at this writing, Thursday afternoon, his friends entertain hopes for his recuperation.

"Miss Minnie Hibbard, one of Smethport's most popular school ma'ams was in town last week the guest of Mrs. E. H. McCoy returning home on Saturday. We had the pleasure of meeting her and have been lamenting the fact that our school days are over and that we can no more be an unruly pupil just for a day or two for we have an idea it would be a pleasure to receive punishment at her hands," gallantly remarks the editor of the Mt. Jewett *Herald*.

Fire and Loss of Life.

Eldred was visited with a destructive fire on Wednesday night, which entirely consumed the European Hotel, together with its contents. The proprietor Mr. C. M. Coleman, who perished in the flames had just built a large addition which would have made it one of the most complete hotels in this section, and this shared in the general destruction. Mr. Coleman went into the burning building to secure some valuable papers, was overcome with the heat and smoke and perished as above stated. We are without definite particulars, but understand the buildings and contents were partially covered by insurance, and that Mr. Coleman had an insurance of $9,000 on his life.

Ho! my sisters, see the banner
Waving in the sky
Are you broken-down, discouraged?
Courage—help is nigh.
On that banner read this legend
"Suffering women, hail!
Pierce's Favorite Prescription
Never was known to fail."

The success of this remedy is wonderful. Its record is unparalleled. It has cured thousands of cases of female weakness, irregularities, and all diseases peculiar to the sex. It can always be depended on to do exactly what is claimed for it. All the proprietors ask is a trial. That will convince the most skeptical of its wonderful virtues. Price ($1.00) refunded if it fails to give satisfaction. Guarantee printed on every bottle-wrapper.

Garden seeds in bulk can be procured at the store of G. W. Williams & Son.

Plows and harrows at cost at Sprague's. Don't fail to look this stock over before purchasing elsewhere.

Racket Store.

Almost every person that does any trading at Bradford has been in the Racket Store—and if "racket" stands for a busy place where business is done on modern plans with a minimum of expense it surely is Racket. Dry goods, notions, millinery, shoes, mens and ladies furnishing goods, together with house-furnishing goods are the main lines out just now. In the wall-paper season, when almost every family is buying wall paper, in greater or less quantity, the Racket is selling thousands of it at one cent a roll. The old-time paper-stores are deserted. The manager of the Racket modestly says: "Yes, we are doing the wall-paper business of the village." And, judging from the number of packages delivered to the trains that leave Bradford in every direction, he might truthfully have added, "And the whole surrounding country."

THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

KANE.

Spades and rakes are the tools used here now.

Our fisherman claims that the weather is too cold to lay out and catch the trout asleep.

John Shea, of the St. Elmo Hotel, has built a neat new fence in front of the property, which adds much to its appearance.

A. F. Dinnon was a visitor in Kane last week and a very busy one. He was arranging the political affairs for Tony particularly.

Those people who went to sleep last Sunday evening, before the sermon was half over, were not much interested in capital and labor.

Street Commissioner Campbell is doing some excellent work on the streets. He leaves the hardest to the last. We refer now to Fraley, the business street of Kane.

James Campbell is erecting an addition to the hotel Lamont that will nearly double its present capacity, which was badly needed to accommodate the patrons of this popular hotel.

Wm. Turby has commenced the erection of an addition to the Centennial House. He will make other improvements, aggregating fifteen hundred dollars, which will add much to the convenience of the hotel.

H. H. Corson will about mid summer commence to build an addition to the Kane House, 32x110 feet, more than doubling the present room in the house. The parlors and additional sleeping rooms will make this hotel rank with the finest in this part of the State.

Every property owner in Kane seems to be well pleased with what the County Commissioners did in the matter of the valuation of property. All grievances were heard, whether real or imaginary and the action taken was apparently satisfactory to each and all.

Crit Kemp, who was quite ill after his return from New York and Philadelphia, was able to attend the appeal on Tuesday. His opinion had much weight in some matters that came up for adjudication. Mr. Kemp owns considerable real estate here and anything that is advantageous to the town is heartily endorsed by him.

The drama, "Bound by an Oath," played in the opera house on Tuesday evening, by the Kane Dramatic Co., was rendered in a manner that should cause every citizen of Kane feel proud of their home talent. Should the company consent to play another time they will be greeted by one of the largest houses ever seen in this place.

J. H. Finch, well and favorably known here for the past ten years died suddenly on Saturday last of heart trouble, in the [illegible] year of his age. On Monday his remains were taken to [illegible] Forks, Putnam county, N. Y. for burial in the family graveyard. The funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Danforth, where he died. The Rev. R. Fearse of the Baptist church officiated. The discourse was fitting to the occasion.

At no time in the history of Kane has the outlook been as flattering for a good summer business as at this time. Our merchants report a healthy and fair business, many new buildings are already in course of construction, the tannery is running on full time having orders booked for the entire season, several other industries are expected to locate here in the near future while the extraordinary efforts that are being made by our board of trade to induce other industries to come here must and will be successful.

MT. ALTON.

Mr. Rickard and son are taking a trip through Virginia.

Mrs. John Callahan visited friends at Fraleys last week.

Messrs. John Callahan and Thos. [illegible] went to Buffalo last week.

Jas. O'Connell who has been very ill for some weeks is reported a little better at this writing.

Whooping cough is with us. Although not a serious disease, we hope it will not visit the entire town.

Spring is here and we need no stronger evidence than a word from those cows that had such a feast on leeks.

"Grandma" Barton's many friends are glad to see her dear face in her accustomed place in church again, after an illness of some months.

We are pleased to report our esteemed neighbor Mark Harris, who has been very ill for the past two months, is now able to walk out a short distance.

To those who have missed the Alton scribe would say that unlucky person has had the grippe and was so depressed in consequence that for some time other peoples affairs had no attraction whatever.

It is rumored that Perry Oaks is soon to move his family to Mt. Jewett and also that T. H. Fraley and daughter are going to Smethport to reside. We are sorry to lose such good neighbors, but our loss will be others' gain.

Our town is no exception to other towns and cities and for the past week the "scandal" has been freely discussed. Why people who seem blessed with intelligence cannot behave themselves and not disgrace their friends is a problem not likely to be answered this side of eternity.

Mr. and Mrs. Haines returned from Kinzua last Monday where they had taken the remains of their infant son. These friends seem sorely afflicted as they moved here the Thursday previous and had been in their new home only a few hours when their baby was taken very ill and soon died. The little one had never been well, but the fond parents thought it no more than usual until a few moments before the angel of death summoned it to the world where pain and parting are unknown. Our people all sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Haines and although their coming to our town was marked by so sad an event, we hope the time they live amongst us may be remembered by many pleasant instances also.

Last Tuesday evening Mrs. Wm. Graham of Lyon Run, was called from home by a friend who was suffering to all appearance from a terrible headache. The good lady did what she could for her friend, and after a couple of hours returned home to find the house filled by a party of friends who wished to remind her of her birthday. Mrs. Graham was greatly surprised but saw through the plan that had been laid to get her away, especially when the lady whom she had been doctoring so carefully came in with an air of excruciating pain. We think she was forgiven for the deception and judging by the royal manner in which Mr. and Mrs. Graham entertained their guests we are sure it was an evening long to be remembered by those present.

PORT ALLEGANY.

Mrs. Watts spent Sunday with her sister in Olean.

Attorney G. L. Sarder of Bolivar, spent Sunday in this place.

Dr. A. Camp is bound to be in style. He has a new Victor bicycle.

Mr. Fragner and sister [illegible] of Sunday with friends in Coudersport.

William Hooker is making extensive repairs on his residence on Broad street.

A. J. Hughes and wife of Buffalo, were in town Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. M. F. Connell, of Costello, spent a few days in town last week with her daughter.

F. P. Dalrymple and wife who have been in New York for the last two weeks returned home last Wednesday.

F. Gerwick & Son are repairing and painting their new quarters on Main street and it will soon show signs of business life.

C. C. Ward of this borough, was chosen by Hon. C. W. Stone as one of his Congressional conferees and met with the others at Kane last Friday and nominated Mr. Stone.

Mr. Ed Lobinson and wife, of Coudersport were in town Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Dorfee. Mr. Lobinson is one of Coudersport's most enterprising young merchants.

Mr. Mart Grigsby of Savoy Pa., spent Sunday with his father in this place. Mr. Grigsby says that business is booming in Potter county. We don't know but suppose he meant the leek business.

T. B. Day of the firm of McDowell & Day, is a candidate for the nomination of County Treasurer. Mr. Day is a practical business man and is as well qualified to fill the position as any man in McKean county and if nominated he will surely be elected.

Tramps broke into the high school building last Friday night and made themselves at home for the night. It is a question whether they would use a home as they did the rooms that they visited. Men that get as low as they must be should receive the old style of punishment about twenty lashes.

The W. C. T. U. held a business meeting at their rooms, over the bank, last Monday afternoon and we understand they will file remonstrances against the granting of licenses in this place for the next year. The writer is heartily in accord with you ladies, but there is a host of influential business men waiting for the petition, if they have not already signed it, and with these arrayed against you your labor will be lost. Whiskey-selling is a popular business in Port Allegany.

RIXFORD.

Wilfred Croley was in town on Friday last.

Rev. Taylor visited his home in Angelica, N. Y., last week.

Numerous parties are scouring the hillside for trailing arbutus.

Miss Kittie Cummings paid a flying visit to Smethport on Sunday.

Isaac Stike, who has been on the sick list for two weeks, is improving.

Grace Hiller left on Thursday for Westfield where she intends learning telegraphy.

Dr. Lewis and R. M. Love spent a portion of last week in attendance at court in Smethport.

Ralph Burdick returned on Saturday from Potter county where he has been engaged engaged in drilling.

The Misses Lottie Sage and Minnie Hanna are taking a course of lessons in elocution from Lillian Burkhart of Bradford.

R. R. McQuiston has purchased H. Crecraft's house, Mr. Crecraft having bought John Sloan's place near his blacksmith shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and their little son of Duke Centre, have been spending several days with Mr. Johnson's mother Mrs. Greenlee.

The friends of Mrs. Charles Pissett, formerly Miss Edna Graham of Rixford, were shocked to hear of her very sudden death in Bradford.

ELDRED.

C. W. Franklin has added a new awning to his store.

George Yateng, of Ridgway was in town last week.

J. D. Downing of Meadville, was in town on Wednesday.

Dr. Kalm, the specialist, was at the Grand Central last Wednesday.

B. W. Reed has returned from an extended trip to the Ohio oil field.

H. G. Heath has been beautifying his tonsorial parlor with a liberal use of paint.

The Easter fair, held in the opera house, was a grand success. There were large crowds at the suppers, which were given each evening. These netted about $140 in the two days.

There are four applications for license for Eldred—one hotel, one wholesale, one eating house and one bottler. The temperance people had better get a move on, as they only have till May 9.

There will be about twenty in the graduating class this year. The examinations will soon be made. The alumni are making preparations for a banquet for the graduates at the end of the term. The school orchestra will furnish the music.

CERES.

Mrs. C. H. Gleason visited in Olean, Friday.

Miss Minnie Smith, of Allentown, is visiting friends in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tyler, of Portville, N. Y., Sundayed in town.

Dr. J. P. Booth and wife were visitors in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

Dr. H. A. Place and J. W. Miller are enjoying a week's vacation in Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Marden, of Portville, visited at L. C. Carrier's Sunday.

Mrs. James Forrester, of Olean, visited her husband at this place last week.

Mr. A. Wilcox, of Cohocton, N. Y., was in the city on business Wednesday.

The C. E. of this place are to give a reception to the W. C. T. U., at the church parlors on May 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Cleveland are a happy pair this week, the cause being the arrival of a ten pound boy at their home Sunday morning.

Mr. Martin Brighton, an old and very much respected citizen, died at his home on Horse Run, Wednesday, and was buried at Shingle House on Friday.

C. H. Gleason has resigned his position as station agent for the B. E. & C., to devote his time more fully to the mercantile business and H. H. Prindle of Genesee has been sent to fill the vacancy.

Mrs. K. Simons has rented her building on Genesee street used by her for a millinery store to Dr. Burdick of Little Genesee who will open an office in the same. Mrs. Simons will dispose of her stock of goods at public auction and intends accepting a lucrative position offered her in Buffalo.

CLERMONT.

H. W. Bolon of Smethport was in town last Sunday.

Sheriff Groat had business in town one day last week.

Mrs. Ennis and son of Parmersville, was the guest of Mrs. Russel last Sunday.

Charles and Frank Loveless of Quinton, visited their brother here last Sunday.

Several families will leave that part of our town known as the "Dutch" this spring.

Rev. Maynard delivered an excellent Easter sermon in the Union Church last Sunday.

Mr. Wright, of the firm of Clark & Wright, tanners, [illegible] was in town last Sunday.

Mrs. E. J. G[illegible], who for several weeks has been lingering between life and death we are glad to state is so far recovered as to be out of all danger.

The weather keeps unusually cold for this time of the year. The bark peeling season will not commence before the 20th of May this year, owing to the late spring.

A dance was held in the Steinhauser's Hall last Thursday evening. There was a large attendance. Excellent music was furnished by the Loveless brothers and all present enjoyed themselves.

The greatest hall show on earth visited here last Saturday. They appeared before the people three nights performing all sorts of miracles. The main object of their visit was the gathering [illegible] change.

COLEGROVE.

Mrs. Jones Mynard visited friends at Clermont Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Gallup is superintendent of the [illegible] Sunday school at Norwich.

[illegible] of Smethport, is in the employ of C. A. Anderson, as a clerk in his store.

M. H. [illegible] lost a valuable cow last Sunday owing to her being run over by the cars.

Mrs. Roseanna Mynard and Mrs. Lee Heineman attended the W. C. T. U. convention at Bradford last week.

G. T. Chandler of Crosby will deliver an address at the Union Church next Sunday evening.

Will Ostrander of Smethport accompanied by his mother and Miss Myrtle Gifford, visited the family of T. Dunbar last Sunday.

Fred Granteer is now living on his farm about a mile and a half up Christian Hollow. As Fred is a very industrious and energetic person we presume the farm will be much improved.

The report of the dance and supper given by the K. O. T. M. of Crosby last Friday evening is very good. The whole amount received was $[illegible] expenditure [illegible] leaving a balance of $[illegible] which was given to Mrs. Geo. Ramsey who was so lately burned out and also lost all of her household effects.

The Fools are not all Dead.

A lazy man whose horses and cart were stuck in the mud prayed to Jupiter for help. Jupiter answered, "Fool! get up and put your shoulder to the wheel and do not call on me when you can help yourself." Foolish people buy medicines haphazard blindly trusting to promises made without a guarantee. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is guaranteed to cure colds, coughs, all lung affections and even consumption in its early stages. It puts to rout all stomach troubles, purifies the blood, gives healthful action to the sluggish liver and drives blemishes from the skin. It is a great medicine, and an individual health insurance policy which never should be allowed to lapse. All druggists keep it.

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The house and barn on what is known as the Easterbrook property in this boro.
HENRY HAMLIN.

—Garden seeds in bulk can be procured at the store of G. W. Williams & Son.

—Oil cloths below cost at Sprague's hardware store.

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN.

Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man With the Shears.

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Smokers' articles of every description at Fred Hamlin's.

Bran, corn, screenings, middlings etc. at G. W. Williams & Sons.

Garden seeds in bulk can be procured at the store of G. W. Williams & Son.

Lancewood and split Bamboo rods, all kinds of fishing tackle at Sprague's hardware store.

—A large stock of heating and cooking stoves at Sprague's hardware store that may be bought at your own prices.

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I have been troubled with chronic catarrh for years. Ely's Cream Balm is the only remedy among the many that I have used that affords me relief. F. W. Willard, Druggist, Joliet, Ill.

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—Shell and count oysters and clams direct from Baltimore served in every style at Wilson's Novelty Restaurant, two doors below the Chautauqua House. Families supplied with shell or bulk oysters or clams.

—I have been troubled with catarrh for ten years and have tried a number of remedies but found no relief until I purchased a bottle of Ely's Cream Balm. I consider it the most reliable preparation for catarrh and cold in the head.—Geo. E. Crandall, P. M., Quonochawntaug, R. I.

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Among the great strikes that of Dr. Miles in discovering his New Heart Cure has proven itself to be one of the most important. The demand for it has become astonishing. Already the treatment of heart disease is being revolutionized, and many unexpected cures effected. It soon relieves short breath, fluttering, pains in side, arm, shoulder, weak and hungry spells, oppression, swelling of the ankles, smothering and heart dropsy. Dr. Miles' book on Heart and nervous diseases, free. The unequaled New Heart Cure is sold and guaranteed by A. B. Armstrong also his Restorative Nervine for headache, fits, sprees, hot flashes, nervous chills, opium habit, etc.

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Our stock embraces all the leading fabrics. Our 50c. Henrietta and Serges, strictly all wool are good values, also our 46-inch all wool Henrietta at 75c. and $1.00 is exceptionally good. China silk, Surah silk, all new spring shades. See our China dress silks at 48c. a yard; it'll do you good.

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We are showing the largest line of garments for ladies, misses and children's wear ever shown in this city. Ladies jackets at $2.88, $3.75, $4.50, $5.50, $7.00 up to $15.00; capes at $7.50, $9.50 and $12.00; Newmarkets at $7.50, $10, $12, $15.

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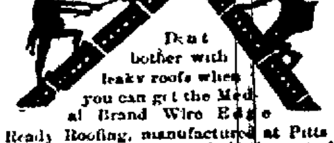

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D. C. YOUNG,
March 23, 1892 6w Administrator.

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FROM THE SANCTUM.

Pennsylvania Editors Speak on the Senatorship.

PRAISE FOR COLONEL M. S. QUAY.

National Chairman Clarkson's Eulogy Strikes a Responsive Chord, and the Junior Senator's Work for the Tariff Bill is Warmly Commended.

Pennsylvania's Republican editors have generally shown warm sympathy with and high admiration for Senator Quay. He has the hearty indorsement of many of the most influential Republican papers in the state in his candidacy for re-election. When Chairman Clarkson, of the Republican National Committee authorized the publication of his splendid eulogy of Colonel Quay, and gave him credit for making possible the election of General Harrison as president, they concurred in his commendation of "the greatest of political generals." They have also been giving full credit to the junior Senator for his services at Washington and particularly for his work in securing the passage of the McKinley bill.

Here are a few quotations from Pennsylvania newspapers:

Clarkson Sounds the Keynote.

General Clarkson's tribute to his late colleague on the national committee is a remarkably strong document. He was intimately associated with Senator Quay in the great fight of 1888 and no one can speak with better authority than he. What he says of the genius of leadership manifested by chairman Quay in that memorable battle of political giants is indisputably true and Democrats themselves admit it. That the Democrats should feel unrelenting grudge against Senator Quay for wrestling the presidency from them is natural but General Clarkson naturally speaks with feeling when he comments on the failure of Republicans to sustain their political generals when under the fire of hostile partisan rancor. His recounting of the matchless leadership of Senator Quay in 1888 and the necessity of having the aid of his organizing ability in the great struggle against the free trade Democracy in the presidential contest of 1892 sounds the keynote of the senatorial campaign as it will be conducted in behalf of the Beaver statesman.—Pittsburg Commercial Gazette.

American Sympathy for Fair Play is Strong.

At the close of the last presidential campaign the country rang with cheers for the matchless leader whose skill and constancy at great personal sacrifice had so grandly won the victory. Republicans everywhere [illegible] with one voice applauded his [illegible] and it is most gratifying to his friends that his successor General Clarkson has at this time recalled those facts to his splendid eulogy of the junior senator of Pennsylvania since that a few Republicans have been led astray by the [illegible] representations and slanders of malignant foes within and without the party. The political opponents who sought during all their active public life so smirch and drag our lines in the [illegible] and that Bold could not have been expected to spare the man who beat and baffled the Tammany tiger in its own den in [illegible] but Senator Quay had reason to expect better treatment than he has received at the hands of some of the men who were quick to appropriate to themselves the results of his labors. The American sympathy for fair play is strong enough among the Republicans of Pennsylvania we feel confident to insist that justice be done to Senator Quay and he and his friends ask for nothing more.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

That Fair Count Demands a Fair Campaign.

No sooner was it known that Harrison was elected than the free trade and Democratic papers commenced with anger [illegible] to attack Quay in a most malignant manner with the whole purpose of driving him out of public life and into retirement. With Quay at the helm these papers [illegible] party. They freely concede that it was Quay and protection [illegible] Harrison [illegible] generally the greatest ever known in American politics to use Chairman [illegible]

The result of Colonel Quay's leadership was a fair count in New York, the home of political corruption and trickery. Four years before the count was not fair and it is well known now Blaine was counted out by false registration. Mr. Quay determined that Harrison should not be beaten by such [illegible] tactics. He gave four months of his time to the preparation of his plans for a fair ballot and how well he succeeded history need not be told again. But he injured his health in the prosecution of his work and he has not recovered it yet. He asks a hearty and until the attacks of his political enemies but the [illegible] party men be [illegible]—Wilkesbarre Record.

FARMERS FOR QUAY.

While They Kick Against His Corporation Favored Opponent.

While the farmers [illegible] against the candidacy of John Dalzell [illegible] close connection with [illegible] Quay [illegible] election to the United States senate has their hearty support.

Every farmer [illegible] real estate [illegible] of the New [illegible] may be urged to [illegible] the present clarified [illegible] Quay [illegible] member that it was this same Quay who set [illegible] and engineered through the state legislature the law which relieved all real estate from the four mill state tax. And considering this with numerous other relief [illegible] with many other wise and good things he has done for the general welfare of the people as well as for the best interests of his party every good Republican should reflect seriously before acting so ungratefully as to cast a vote against the return of Mr Quay to the United States senate.

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To any one who finds total abstinence from tobacco too heroic a stretch of virtue Sir Morell said: 'Let him smoke only after a substantial meal. Let him smoke a mild Havana or a long stemmed pipe charged with sweet and mild tobacco. If the charms of the cigarette are irresistible let it be smoked through a mouthpiece which is kept clean with ultra Mohammedan strictness. Let him refrain from smoking pipe, cigar or cigarette to the bitter end, it may be added rank and oily end.

WHAT TO DO.

Suggestions in Good Form for a Variety of Occasions.

Harper's Bazar solves the perplexities of a number of inquirers with the following useful paragraphs:

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COMMON EMERGENCIES.

How to Check Hemorrhage from Small Wounds and from the Nose.

A physician gives in Popular Science News some hints as to what people should know of the smaller surgical emergencies, instantly arising in the domestic circle when a surgeon is not thought necessary or cannot be quickly enough reached. He says: [illegible] bleeding points such as occur upon the face after [illegible] are neither checked spontaneously nor by the usual means, a [illegible] applied as a pledget [illegible] at once [illegible]

Epistaxis or bleeding from the nose is a common but sometimes a serious form of hemorrhage. It is often checked spontaneously or by such simple means as bathing the face and nasal cavities with cold water. Sometimes, however, when [illegible] styptic application may be needed. Alum water or a solution of tannin will [illegible] be snuffed up the nose from the palm of the hand, or some powder [illegible] blown into the nasal cavity by the use of a quill roll of paper [illegible] A wad of cotton pushed into the bleeding [illegible] will often suffice to check the flow. But the most unique [illegible] to check an [illegible] is by pressing an [illegible] portion of the nose from above downward and this by [illegible] the arteries [illegible] surely prevent all further bleeding [illegible]

The Power of Hypnotism.

[illegible] Dr. [illegible] Tuckey [illegible] Krafft Ebing [illegible] hypnotic [illegible]

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The Mosquito and the Elephant.

"The most laughable thing of this century," says the editor of the Malvern Item, "is to see a handful of disgruntled politicians going through the state of Pennsylvania for the purpose of making every legislative candidate promise in the event of his election, that he will oppose the re-election of Quay to the United States Senate. It reminds us slightly of a lot of Jersey mosquitoes attacking an elephant."

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COL. QUAY'S WORTH.

A Fair Estimate of His Services in the United States Senate.

HOW HE WORKED TO SECURE PROTECTION

Favoring Pennsylvania's Industries.

A Complete Refutation of the Mugwumps' Charge That He Neglected His Official Duties, It Being Shown That When He Was Reported Absent from His Seat in the Senate He Was Doing Invaluable Service in the Committee Rooms in Framing the McKinley Bill.

Among the many manufacturers of western Pennsylvania who are indignant at the charge of absenteeism from the senate against Senator Quay and by implication that he neglected his duty, none is more vehement in denouncing the outrageous attack as false and malicious than James Chambers, ex president of the Chambers McKee Window Glass company and the head of a new concern that is building a large window glass plant at Kensington.

In commenting on the attacks on Senator Quay in regard to neglect of duty Mr Chambers said:

"No meaner or more unfounded assertion could be made against Pennsylvania's junior senator than this. I never knew a member of congress who has been more devoted and worked harder and longer for the interests of his constituency and the Republican party generally than Senator Quay.

A Fact to be Remembered.

Not to mention his brilliant campaign of 1888 when he elected Harrison over Cleveland the Democratic child of destiny a fact to be remembered is that if Senator Quay had done no other thing his party and especially that portion made up of the manufacturers of this end of the state, can never fully repay him for his service on the last tariff bill which he not only aided largely in getting in its present excellent shape but the passage of which he secured in the senate by his generalship at the expense of legislation of greatly inferior importance.

I am chairman of the tariff committee of the American Window Glass Makers association. This position I have held for twelve years past and I speak officially for the members of that organization. I have directed the preparation of the window glass schedules of each tariff bill during that period. This necessitated my presence in Washington two or three days at a time at intervals of a week or two while the tariff bill was under consideration.

Learned Mr Quay's Value.

"On these occasions I learned the value of Mr Quay's aid. There was nothing I wanted he did not do for me. He is in close touch with all the powerful men of the party and never failed to invoke the aid of anyone whose services were necessary to my work.

The last tariff bill in the senate was in the hands of a sub-committee of the finance committee consisting of Messrs. Aldrich, Allison and Hiscock. Mr Aldrich was much interested in the framing of the window glass schedule, and readily consented to the changes I had to suggest. Mr Allison was a little chary about some matters and only gave his consent after I had Mr Quay go to him and back up my arguments as to their necessity. Mr Hiscock was a hard man to deal with and instead of favoring any increases was decidedly for reduction in the rates. Here again I had recourse to Mr Quay and it was only after long and persistent labor on his part that Mr Hiscock was won over to our view of thinking. Senator Quay neglected not the slightest detail and the window glass manufacturers have him to thank for their present excellent schedule. It is by far the best we have ever had and on the most important items we secured a liberal increase in the rate.

Manufacturers Can Never Repay Him.

When questioned about Senator Quay's work on other branches of the tariff bill Mr Chambers said: "Of course I am best acquainted with the facts relating to the schedule of which I had charge but I am pretty familiar also with the iron and steel schedules. I was in Washington frequently when H W Oliver, Jr and General Fitzhugh were there working for those parts of the bill. I know the senator rendered them services equally valuable as those to myself and I was glad to see these gentlemen defend his faithfulness to their interests. Nobody but men like Messrs Oliver, Fitzhugh and myself have any idea of the value of Senator Quay's work for us. Everybody engaged in iron, steel and glass business the three great industries of this section of the country—does know the good that has resulted to their business from the new tariff law and if they do not place the credit where it belongs it is either through ignorance of the facts or the exhibition of a very ungrateful spirit.

Opposing Their Own Interests.

How any of these men can oppose Mr Quay's re-election as I am told some of them are doing is beyond my ken. Particularly at this time after the tariff bill on which the success or failure of their vast manufacturing interests depends has been passed in better form especially for the three great branches of trade I have mentioned, than it ever was before I cannot but look upon the opposition of any of these men as not only unjust but positively cruel."

Referring to the candidacy of Congressman Dalzell for senator, Mr Chambers said: "I have no word to speak against Mr Dalzell, he is a good man and a fine orator. He lent us his aid in the house but he is no man like Senator Quay though he has the proper stuff in him. Should the Republican party of Pennsylvania so far forget its duty as to not return Senator Quay it will soon realize the full meaning of my words. I do not think there is a more influential man in the senate than him, and anybody who has ever had need of his help will tell you so. I cannot speak words strong enough to express my opinion of his worth.

Days When He Was Absent.

"Now, a word on his absenteeism," said Mr Chambers. "The fact is, that

A Little Girl's Experience in a Lighthouse.

Mr and Mrs. Loren Trescott are keepers of the Gov. Lighthouse at Sand Beach, Mich., and are blessed with a daughter, four years old. Last April she was taken down with Measles, followed with a dreadful Cough and turning into a Fever. Doctors at home and at Detroit treated her, but in vain, she grew worse rapidly, until she was a mere "handful of bones." Then she tried Dr. King's New Discovery and after the use of two and a half bottles, was completely cured. They say Dr. King's New Discovery is worth its weight in gold, yet you may get a trial bottle free at Frank R. Foster drugstore.

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A QUAY LANDSLIDE.

Dalzell Buried by the Votes of Seven Counties in the Senatorial Canvass.

AN OVERWHELMING POPULAR SENTIMENT

Lawrence, Clarion, Clearfield and Luzerne Follow the Lead of Armstrong, Union and Snyder.

THE HANDWRITING IS PLAIN.

Thousands of Pennsylvania Republicans Vote Direct at the Primaries and Many Others Through Their Representatives in County Conventions Declare in Favor of the Junior Senator's Re-election.

So complete were Senator Quay's victories at the primaries in Armstrong, Union and Snyder that Republicans in other counties throughout the state seem to have taken this as their cue and kept up the refrain ever since. County after county has been declaring for the junior senator's re-election.

So many flattering indorsements are being passed approving Quay's career as soldier, a statesman and successful party leader that friends of John Dalzell are already advising him to withdraw. Some of the Dalzell boomers in the face of the most disheartening developments in his canvass however insist upon his remaining in the race though privately conceding that he has not a ghost of a show to win.

The Official Figures.

The official figures from Armstrong county give Senator Quay [illegible] majority over Dalzell. In view of the activity of the corporations in Dalzell's behalf the naturalization of hundreds of Hungarians in order that they might vote for the Pittsburger at the dictation of their employers and the expenditure of thousands of dollars in a desperate effort to swell the Dalzell vote Colonel Quay's friends were at one time fearful that the county might be carried against the junior senator.

The farmers and old soldiers and independent workingmen generally however went to the polls and voted for Colonel Quay almost to a man. They thus gave a stinging rebuke to the interference of corporate power in the councils of the Republican party.

Pretty much the same methods were resorted to in Dalzell's behalf in Union and Snyder but with the same result. Senator Quay's majority in the popular vote in Snyder was [illegible]

Lawrence county where Colonel Quay's old regiment was organized has since by a popular vote declared in no uncertain tone for the junior senator's re-election.

Republicans of Luzerne Clarion and Clearfield also came to the front last week with cordial hearts and highly flattering commendations of the Beaver statesman.

Luzerne Declares for Quay.

At the Luzerne county Republican convention an indorsement of Senator Quay was passed amid great enthusiasm. The resolutions among other things, declared: That the commanding abilities of Senator Matthew Stanley Quay in organizing and consummating victory for the party in state and nation have acquired for him an indestructible regard in the hearts of the Republicans of this district.

While Republicans of the northeastern corner of the commonwealth were recording their high appreciation of Senator Quay the west spoke out in a no less unequivocal manner.

Clarion Republicans Speak Out.

Republicans of Clarion in convention assembled eulogized the junior senator in almost every paragraph of a long series of ringing resolutions.

The resolutions among other things, say that the cry of [illegible] raised by Democrats and their [illegible] in order to demoralize our party and cause dissension and lost votes in our ranks should be disregarded and will have no effect on true Republicans. We firmly indorse and support those who have rendered efficient service to our party in former contests notable among these Hon. M. S. Quay our present United States senator, a leader worthy of continued confidence and distinguished honor among Republicans. And further: That in Hon. M. S. Quay we recognize an able statesman, an imperial leader and loyal Republican that we indorse his course in the United States senate and declare him to be our unqualified choice for re-election to that honorable body.

Clearfield Almost Unanimous.

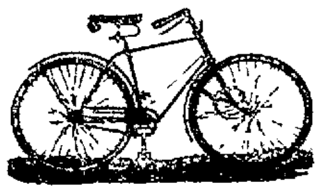
Clearfield county Republicans joining in this spontaneous outburst of enthusiastic support of Senator Quay met the issue squarely in their convention on the same day. A disgruntled delegate sought to stem the tide by opposing the adoption of complimentary resolutions but they were carried with great cheering by the overwhelming vote of 94 to 3.

Here is what they said: "We denounce the violent assault of the Democrat and mugwump press upon our junior United States senator the Hon. M. S. Quay whose matchless political leadership, superb organization and loyalty to our party enabled us to win the great battle of 1888 and we believe that he merits and should receive the gratitude and admiration of every loyal Republican throughout the land."

Dalzell Methods Rebuked.

It is probable that even Dalzell himself despite his confident and hopeful nature will shortly conclude that he is wasting time and money in his peculiar campaign.

The people have voted in favor of the retention of Senator Quay and have emphatically disapproved of the Dalzell methods. Pittsburg ward politics do not seem to be at a premium in the country. The rout of the Dalzell followers was expected. No one can prosper for any length of time in a campaign run on misrepresentation.



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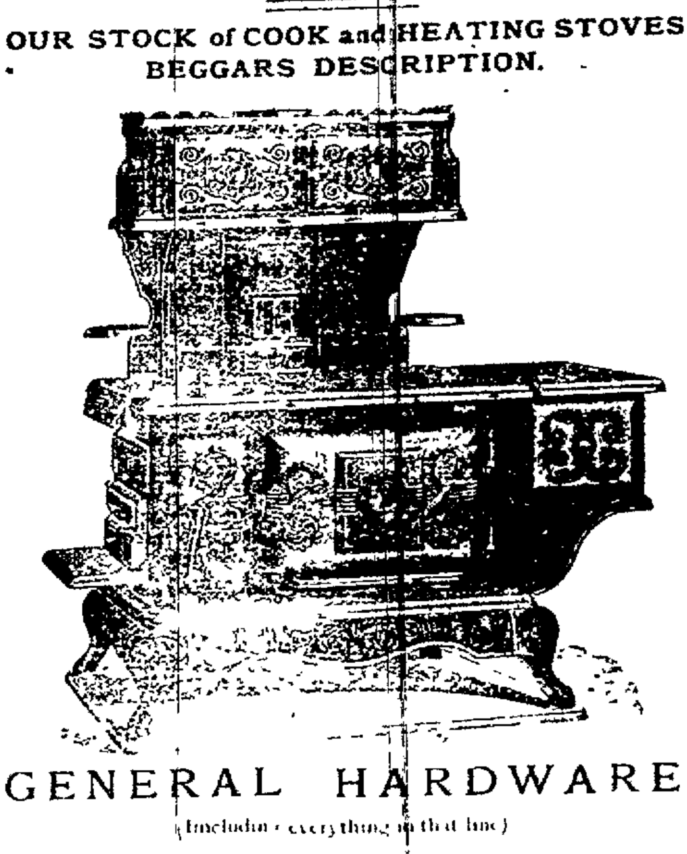

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TRAVELERS' GUIDE

THE TIME [illegible] WESTERN NEW YORK [illegible] PENNSYLVANIA

In effect Oct. 4, [illegible]

Trains leave Smethport for Larabee, Eldred, Olean, Bradford, Rochester and [illegible] as follows:

BUFFALO EXPRESS [illegible]
BUFFALO MAIL [illegible]

Train leaving Smethport at 2:31 p. m. [illegible] at Eldred with B. & E. for [illegible] with River Division for Allegany, [illegible] Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont, Johnsonburg, and points [illegible]

CLERMONT MAIL [illegible]
CLERMONT ACCOMMOD'N [illegible]
LOCAL [illegible]

Clermont Mail connects through to [illegible] burgh.

Get Time Tables giving full information [illegible]
A. E. WORMER, Ticket Agent,
M. BELL, General Supt.
J. A. FELLOWS, Gen. Pass'r Agt.

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Direct lines between the Bradford [illegible] county, Clarion and Bakerstown oil fe[illegible]
TIME TABLE IN EFFECT NOV [illegible]
WESTWARD. EASTWARD.

p m	a m	STATIONS	a m	p m
6 15	2 10	ar Bradford lv	4 00	
5 55	11 50	Kenzua Jn	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	New City	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	Sinford	[illegible]	
4 38	[illegible]	Duke Centre,	9 41	
[illegible]	[illegible]	Eldred	[illegible]	
		B. F. & C. & K.		
3 13	[illegible]	Ceres	[illegible]	
2 57	9 12	Little Genesee	[illegible]	
2 45	9 00	Lv Bolivar, Ar	[illegible]	
2 1	8 50	Allentown	11 37	
1 45	8 00	ar Wellsville lv	12 15	
[illegible]	[illegible]	ar Bradford lv	7 16	
6 55	[illegible]	Kinzua Junct'n	[illegible]	
6 47	[illegible]	Allen	[illegible]	
6 38	[illegible]	Davis	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	Simpson	[illegible]	
6 14	[illegible]	Ormsby	[illegible]	
6 06	[illegible]	Smethport	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	Mt. Jewett	[illegible]	
5 00	[illegible]	Kane	10 10	

JNO C. McKENNA, Superintendent.

Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway
THE SHORT LINE

Between Buffalo, Rochester, Salamanca [illegible] and [illegible] DuBois, Punxsutawney [illegible] Coal and Lumber Regions of Pennsylvania.

On and after Nov. 15th, 1891, passengers [illegible] leave Bradford and Mt. Jewett [illegible] as follows:

LEAVE BRADFORD—EASTWARD
[illegible] Buffalo & Rochester Express [illegible] Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, [illegible] Machias, Gainesville, Silver [illegible] Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.
[illegible] Mail—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Cobden, Buffalo, Machias, [illegible] Silver Springs, Warsaw, [illegible] Rochester.
[illegible] Buffalo Express—Sundays only [illegible] Carrollton, Salamanca, [illegible] Springville, Cobden and Buffalo.

LEAVE MT. JEWETT—SOUTHWARD
8 07 a. m.—Accommodation—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.
2 01 p. m.—Mail—For Johnsonburg, [illegible] Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.
[illegible] Accommodation—For [illegible] Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

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For time tables and full information [illegible]
[illegible] Agent [illegible]
J. T. [illegible]
[illegible] General Passenger [illegible]
Gen'l Superintendent. [illegible]
Bradford, Pa.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY R. R.
Time Table takes effect [illegible]

A M	[illegible]	P M	STATIONS.	A M	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	1 00	Coudersport	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	1 07	Lane Creek Jc	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	1 02	Hammond	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	12 5	Fish Basket	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Olmsted	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	12 1	Mina	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Knowlton	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Roulette	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	12 23	Pomeroy Bridge	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	12 23	Burtville	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Coleman	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	12 11	Port Allegany	[illegible]	

Trains run on eastern standard time.
B. A. McCLURE

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD
PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect Nov. 15, 1891.
TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION
EASTWARD.

[illegible] —Train 8, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] New York 9 30 p. m., Baltimore [illegible] Washington [illegible] Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport and passenger [illegible] from Kane to Philadelphia.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 6, daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] New York [illegible] Pullman sleeping cars from [illegible] burg to Philadelphia and New York [illegible] Philadelphia passengers can remain [illegible] undisturbed until 7 30 a. m.

[illegible]

WESTWARD.

[illegible] Train [illegible] daily except Sunday [illegible] Ridgway [illegible]
10 50 a. m.—Train 3, daily, for Erie and intermediate stations.
[illegible] p. m.—Train 11 daily except [illegible] Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS FOR EMPORIUM [illegible] TION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.
Train [illegible] leaves New York [illegible] Sunday arriving at Emporium [illegible]
Train 11 leaves Philadelphia [illegible] Washington 8 00 a. m., Baltimore [illegible] except Sunday arriving at Emporium [illegible] with Pullman Parlor [illegible] Philadelphia to Williamsport [illegible] coaches to Kane.
Train 3, leaves New York [illegible] Philadelphia 11 25 p. m., Washington [illegible] Baltimore [illegible] daily arriving at Emporium [illegible] Pullman sleeping cars from Philadelphia [illegible] from Washington and Baltimore [illegible] port and passenger coaches [illegible]

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD
Daily except Sunday

NORTH A M	STATIONS
[illegible]	Ridgway
9 [illegible]	Johnsonburg
10 10	Glen Hazel
10 19	Straight
10 2[illegible]	Instanter
10 3[illegible]	Smith's Run
10 [illegible]	Wood vale
10 4[illegible]	Clermont

Connections are made with train [illegible] Johnsonburg at [illegible] m. for Erie and intermediate points arriving at Erie at [illegible] also at Ridgway with train [illegible] leaving [illegible] at [illegible] for Philadelphia, New York [illegible] Baltimore and Washington.
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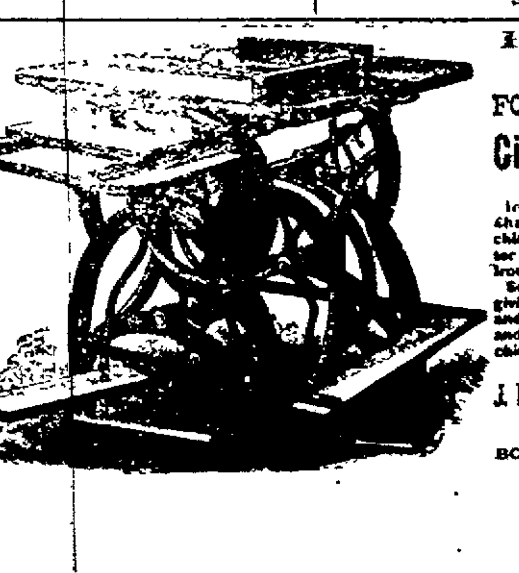

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